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FOREIGN OFFICE SCANDAL.

HIGH OFFICIAL DISMISSED THE SERVICE.

MR. O'MALLEY, OF HANKOW FAME, INITIATES SPECULATIONS.

THE REDEEMING FEATURE.

London, Feb. 27.

The Board of Enquiry appointed by Mr. Stanley Baldwin as a sequel to the case in which Mrs. Dyno was ordered to pay £38,000 and costs to a firm of foreign bankers, evidence in which revealed that important officials in the Foreign Office were involved, has concluded its sittings.

As the result of the Board's findings, Sir Austen Chamberlain, who joined the Premier in directing the Board's appointment, has directed that

Mr. J. D. Gregory, the Assistant Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, be dismissed;

Commander Maxse be severely reprimanded, and to forfeit three years' seniority; while

Mr. O. St. C. O'Malley, the negotiator of the famous Hankow agreement, who was also involved, be permitted to resign.

Sir Austen Chamberlain adds to the announcement, a minute that he was glad to observe that serious as were the offences from the Civil Service point of view, there was no question of corruption, or of the use of official information.

A transaction by Sir Miles Lampson in 1920 was mentioned by the Board of Inquiry, who commented that while they regarded the purchase of foreign currency by a member of the Diplomatic Service as undesirable, it had nothing in common with a gamble in difference.

ZINOVIEFF LETTER ACCUSATIONS

The report of the Board reveals Board came to the conclusion that that all three officials lost in while Gregory, O'Malley and Maxse speculations. Mr. J. D. Maxse neither used, nor endeavoured to use, any official information for the purpose of their transactions, such transactions ought never to have been undertaken by civil servants, and least of all by those to whom, from the nature of their work, the sensitiveness and suspicions of foreign countries

and Mr. O'Malley just over £100.

Huge Transactions.

It was established that in 1923, Mr. Gregory speculated jointly with Mrs. Dyno, the defendant in with regard to such dealings in the action, and continued to do so their currencies cannot have been until 1925. Mrs. Dyno was the unfriendly wife of one of his former school-fellows. Between them they dealt with approximately 250,000 francs.

Conscious of Impropriety.

The action of these three officials in the view of the Board was inconsistent with their obligations as civil servants.

Regarding Mr. Gregory, the Board says: "We cannot doubt he was conscious of the impropriety of what he was doing, and we do not regard it as a sufficient excuse that he did not at any time make use of official information for his private ends."

Mr. Wilcox's Explanation.

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He says that the actual shooting of the soldier who refused to fire and the shooting of Nurse Cavell by the officer are not shown in the picture, but are merely indicated.

He points out that no Government official in any capacity has seen the film, and he declares that he has arranged to show it in Berlin privately next week.—Reuter.

Information Volunteered.

The second part of the report publication became the subject of deals with the question whether acute political controversy, and there arose suspicions that Gregory deliberately attempted to his own financial ends. In compromise, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's Government by "going behind the ex-Premier's back" a few days before the General Election, simultaneously, to serve his own financial ends.

The Board recalls that the circumstances of its despatch and publication became the subject of deals with the question whether other civil servants have been engaged in similar transactions. In two specific cases in which an official had volunteered statements to the Board regarding past investments, the view is expressed of the impropriety of their actions, which however, bore no resemblance, except in form, to the systematic operations of the other three officials mentioned, and the Board are satisfied that no question arises from the absence of the Secretary of State.

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CAVELL WAR FILM DISPUTE.

EXECUTION SCENE DETAILED.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S STRONG CRITICISM.

PRODUCER'S DEFENCE

London, Feb. 27. The controversy concerning the film "Dawn," depicting the famous story of Nurse Edith Cavell, is not yet settled, in spite of the refusal of the British Board of Film Censors to permit its exhibition in Great Britain.

The matter was brought up-to-day in the House of Commons at question-time, when the Dominions' Secretary was asked for the Government's proposals regarding its exhibition in other parts of the Empire.

Lieut. Col. L. C. M. S. Amery replied that it was not proposed, nor had it been requested, to communicate with the Governments of the Dominions, or any other part of the Empire, regarding the exhibition of the Cavell film.

The Execution.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, who has taken a big interest in the controversy, quoted from the report of the Government technical adviser, who received from the producer, Mr. Wilcox, a description of the execution scene.

Apparently the scene shows a member of the firing party refusing to level his rifle, and he is shot dead. The remainder of the party fire above Nurse Cavell's head, the heroine faints, and the German officer advances and despatches her.

"Wholly Apocryphal."

Sir Austen Chamberlain added: "I believe that the account of the execution is wholly apocryphal, and I feel it is an outrage against this noble woman's memory to turn to purposes of commercial profit so heroic a story."

Replying to supplementary questions as to the measures to be taken to prevent a repetition of such an unfortunate controversy, Sir Austen Chamberlain said:—"I am not dealing with the general censorship of films."

"I am speaking as an English gentleman about what I think is an outrage on humanity." Loud cheers greeted the Foreign Secretary's remark.

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U.S. POLICY IN CHINA.

MINISTER DENIES ANY CHANGE MADE.

"PULL TOGETHER."

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Feb. 28.

Speaking at a representative banquet given in his honour by Shanghai Americans, Mr. J. V. A. MacMurray, the United States Minister to China, disclaimed any change in America's policy towards China, which was, however, adaptable to changing circumstances.

Mr. MacMurray said the objectives of America's policy remained unaltered. They were fairness to American interests, generosity to the Chinese, and fairness to other nationalities—a simple, straightforward, and honourable policy.

The Minister added that he welcomed the change amongst the American community, shown by the fact that the merchant and the missionary were realising the oneness of their interests. Extremes were disappearing and tolerance ensuing. "All were sitting in the same boat, bound for a common destination, and the time had come to pull together."

Other speakers dwelt on the insidious ramifications of the "Red" terror, the President of the American Chamber of Commerce stressing the treacherous activities of Soviet inspired journalists in betraying their own country by malicious written propaganda.

THE "ALCANTARA" TRAGEDY.

MYSTERIOUS "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL EXPLAINED.

RUSSIAN'S EFFORTS.

London, Feb. 27.

The mysterious "all clear" signal, which delayed rescue efforts in connexion with the Alcantara disaster, has been explained by Captain Friedman, of the Russian barque Tovaritsch.

In an interview at Southampton, Captain Friedman declared that the steamer Baron Douglas came alongside in response to the SOS, and when told that the Tovaritsch was in no immediate danger, but perhaps some of the crew of the other vessel were in the water, the Baron Douglas went off presumably to render assistance.

Then more wireless messages were received, to which the Tovaritsch replied "All clear" meaning as regards herself, but she broadcast all stations giving the place of the collision, stating that men might be in the water.

The Tovaritsch being a sailing vessel was unable to manoeuvre to stand by the ill fated Alcantara, but lowered several boats immediately it was possible. It took, however, half an hour to allow up sufficiently to be able to launch them.—Reuter.

NO MULTILATERAL TREATY.

BRITAIN'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH U.S.A.

London, Feb. 27.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied in the negative when asked in the House of Commons at question-time whether America had offered Great Britain a multilateral treaty similar to that offered to France. The reply covered a further question as to whether negotiations concerning such a treaty were not proceeding.—Reuter.

U.S. IMMIGRATION QUOTAS.

INCREASES TO EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

Washington, Feb. 27.

President Coolidge has transmitted to the Senate a Bill providing for considerable increases in the immigration quota of several European countries, including Britain, whose quota is fixed at 65,894 compared with 34,007.—Reuter's American Service.

CANTON EXCITED OVER ARREST.

PANG PAI TRACKED DOWN.

SUSPECTED OF BEING HOIFUNG RED LEADER.

VIGOROUS DENIALS.

Considerable excitement has been caused in Canton, according to Chinese reports, by reason of the arrest of Chinese who is suspected to be Pang Pai, the notorious Communist chief of the Hui-Luk Fung Soviet.

It is known that on Sunday a man who gave his name as Pang Pai was arrested, but although there is said to be evidence of identification, the man himself denies that he is the Chinese Soviet leader. Investigations by the police are still being held, and it is said that General Li Chai-sum himself presided at a trial which was held immediately after the man's arrest.

Story of Arrest.

The story of the arrest, as it was recorded in vernacular papers, is to the effect that two officials of the Headquarters of Li Chai-sum's Army, were having their tiff at the Luk Yuen teahouse, opposite the Canton Treasury, on Sunday at noon. While the couple was chatting over a cup of tea, one of them noticed that at one of the tables was a party amongst whom was a man who resembled Pang Pai, the Communist leader.

At the time, one of the officials happened to have in his pocket a newspaper reproduction of the photo of Pang Pai, and he promptly took this out and compared it with the suspected man. The resemblance being borne out, the two officials resolved to keep a sharp look-out on the movements of this man.

When the suspect left the teahouse, the officials followed him up. From Wing Hon Road, the man was seen to walk into Tai Neri Road, then to Cheung Hin San Street, where he entered a book store. Fearing that the suspect might endeavour to elude them, the officials approached him and effected his arrest.

Vigorous Denial.

When taken to the Headquarters of the Eighth Expedition Army, the man admitted that his name was Pang Pai, but added that he was not the "Red" leader of Hoifung and Lukfung Districts. He said the latter was a Hoklo, while he himself was a native of Puny and he could speak Cantonese fluently. Furthermore, the prisoner said he was acquainted with General Li Chai-sum and that at one time he was an officer of certain Division of the Canton troops.

Later, when General Li Chai-sum was informed of the arrest during the trial, he is said to have declared that he could not recall having made the acquaintance of the man before. The prisoner, however, persisted that he was with the Canton Army at one time and that he was in no way connected with the "Red" reign of Hoifung and Lukfung districts.

Book Store Raided.

Subsequently, a party of soldiers raided the book store, and the whole premises were thoroughly searched, but it is not known whether they secured any evidence against the accused. The trial of the prisoner continued up to a late hour on Sunday night and the latest information from the Headquarters is to the effect that, other than the man's name, there is as yet no evidence confirming the suspicion that he is the Communist leader.

AMERICA'S NAVAL REDUCTIONS.

ALMOST TO BRITISH GENEVA PROPOSALS.

London, Feb. 27.

Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, the First Lord of the Admiralty, in a speech in London to-day, said that the American naval programme was now being reduced almost to what Britain proposed at Geneva.

He had no reason to believe that America wanted ships for anything else than for her own defence.—Reuter.

PRICE HENRY'S HUNTING MISHAP.

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 27.

Many fatalities, mostly women and children, have occurred as the result of the collapse of a cinema in Curityba, in the State of Paraná. Thirteen bodies have recovered so far.—Reuters' American Service.

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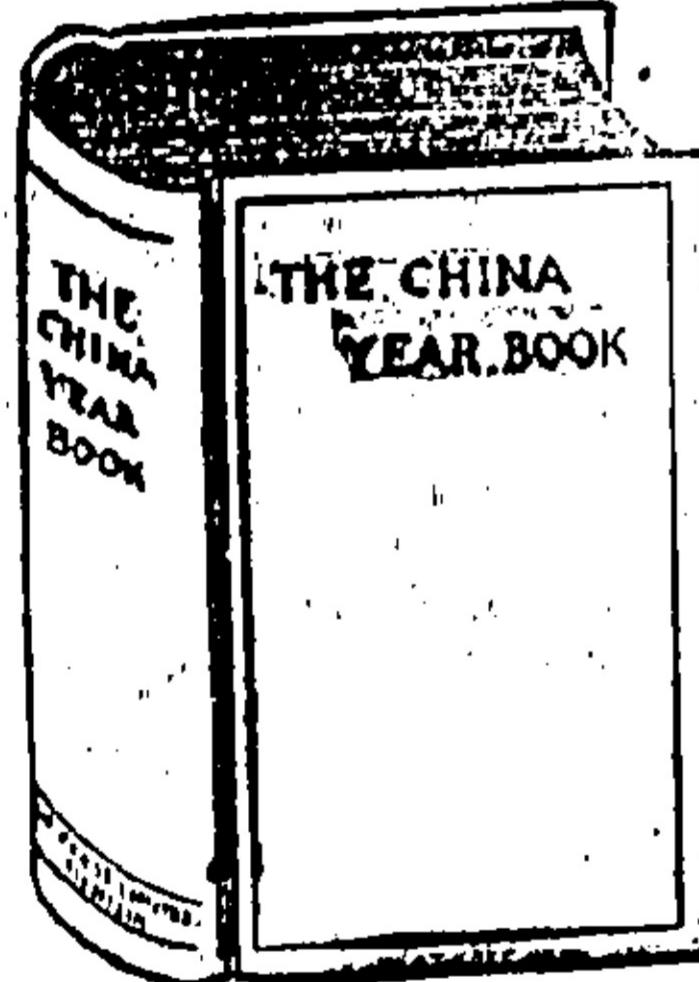
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SIR PAUL CHATER'S ESTATE.**JUDGMENT RESERVED ON APPEAL.**

Matters arising out of the administration of the estate of the late Sir Paul Chater formed the subject of an appeal, before a Full Court at the Supreme Court yesterday, against a judgment delivered by Mr. Justice Wood. Three judges sat, Sir Henry Gollan (President), Sir Peter Grain and Mr. Justice Wood.

In the afternoon, Mr. Potter argued at length on the construction of the clauses in question and as to how they should be read. He said it would reduce the will to absurdity if it was denied that stock was not to be used in its limited sense when the trustees were given an extraordinary wide power of exchanging the estate for partly paid-up shares. Once evidence was admitted to ascertain local views, and once they ascertained that the testator had invested in nothing but ordinary grain, and when they found him giving his trustees power to exchange realty, which was the finest security one could have, for partly paid shares, was it to be seriously argued that stock, in clause 20, should be considered in its very narrow sense. On that consideration of the will itself he would submit that there were very strong reasons for leading their Lordships to the conclusion that clause 20 should not be considered from the very narrow view-point.

His submission was that if they read clause 20 in the wider sense than the stock, if it included shares, such shares must be fully paid up because they fell into the meaning of the word stock, which, in itself, were fully paid up.

Sir Henry Gollan remarked that in the ordinary sense, it would mean that part of the residuary estate could be sold and payment received by partly paid-up shares.

Mr. Potter replied he would submit that it must mean that.

Sir Henry Gollan said that for himself he would certainly not extend it to cover original investments apart from any disposal.

Remarking that they had to consider the whole will in order to ascertain the testator's intentions, Mr. Potter went on to speak of the words "ordinary stock and ordinary fully paid up shares." In law there was only one minute distinction, which was that any fractional part of stock could be sold but one could not sell less than one share. Could it be seriously said that such a minute difference could have such a big effect on the court for it to be said that the executor should not buy ordinary shares?

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Preferential Interest.

Mr. Jenkins, in briefly addressing the court, submitted that the testator had given to Mr. Bagram, under clause eight, a prior charge on the capital, and that, as the delay in the conversion of the estate into cash and a resulting appropriation of seven lakhs to Mr. Bagram was due to a desire to benefit the Church of Nazareth, then the Church should pay for that indulgence by allowing to Mr. Bagram payment of a preferential rate of interest.

Their Lordships reserved judgment.

NON-STOP FLIGHT.**AIRSHIP TO FLY TO THE PANAMA CANAL.**

Washington, Feb. 27. The first attempted non-stop flight by airship to the Panama Canal is being made in the Los Angeles which has left Lakewood, New Jersey, en route to Cuba, where it will be tied up to a mooring mast on the tender Potosa, prior to flying to the Canal.

Reuters American Service.

P. I. GOVERNOR.**MR. STIMSON WELCOMED TO HONGKONG.**

Mr. Henry L. Stimson, the newly-appointed Governor-General of the Philippines, arrived in Hongkong yesterday, on his way to Manila to take up the appointment. He is accompanied by Mrs. Stimson and their children, and by members of his staff, including General Dorey, who was the right-hand man of the late Governor-General, General Leonard Wool.

General, General, Leonard Wool, and who it is understood is filling a similar appointment under the new Governor-General.

The President McKinley, on which Governor-General Stimson and his staff are travelling, arrived here during the early afternoon, and shortly afterwards, at 3 o'clock, the official landing took place at Queen's Pier. The drizzle that had fallen earlier in the day continued, and deprived the ceremony of much of its picturesqueness aspect. In consequence, there were very few spectators, but in the shelter of the pier, which was draped with bunting, the scene was arranged enough, the brilliant uniforms of the military contrasting sharply with the sombre attire of members of the Legislative Council and of Government officials.

His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., who was accompanied by his A.D.C., Captain White, arrived at the Pier a few minutes before the official time of landing, and personally greeted the Governor-General and his entourage as they landed on the steps. A salute of 17 guns was at this moment fired from the Tamar, this being replied to by U.S.S. Asheville, while the full military band of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, under the conductorship of Bandmaster W. G. Fitz-Earl, crashed out the American national anthem.

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Governor-General's Staff.

Members of Governor-General Stimson's entourage included General Dorey, military adviser, Col.

EXCHANGE OF PULPITS.**NOTABLE EVENT IN HONGKONG.**

A notable event in Hongkong's history occurred on Sunday when the Ministers of Union Church, Hongkong, and St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, exchanged pulpits. Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald preached at St. Andrew's and Rev. W. W. Rogers at Union Church.

This was the first time an exchange of pulpits had taken place in Hongkong between an Episcopal and non-Episcopal Church. There was no special occasion observed; it was merely a friendly and spontaneous reciprocity.

DANCING DISPLAY.**MISS VIOLET CAPELL AND HER PUPILS.**

There was again an excellent audience at the Queen's Theatre last evening when the sixth annual dancing display by Miss Violet Capell and her pupils, first given last Wednesday, was repeated. Miss Capell is so well known locally for her dancing and also for the perfection which her pupils rapidly attain that her annual display has come to be looked upon as the most important event of its kind, audiences being assured of a thoroughly delightful performance.

When first given last week the display was acknowledged to be the most outstanding of all her achievements. The variety of the programme alone was one feature, but more outstanding was the grace and cleverness of the little dancers taking part.

There is little to add to the critiques which have already appeared. The solo items and ensembles are uniformly good and while it is difficult to single out individual dancers for especial praise, the work of Miss Rachael Wong and Miss Helen Ho is worthy of special commendation. But all those taking part, even down to the tiny tots, dance with a grace and charm which speaks volumes for the careful training they have received from Miss Capell.

The ensembles are notable for the colour schemes but all the costumes do justice to the talented little performers. The display will be repeated at the Star Theatre on Wednesday at 9.15 a.m. and another excellent audience is assured. Part proceeds of the display are to be devoted to the London Hospital.

Winship, Military A.D.C., Captain James, U.S.N., Naval A.D.C., and Lt. Grant (a son-in-law of General Dorey). With the exception of Captain James, U.S.N., who arrived from Manila to meet Mr. Stimson, all these officials travelled with the Governor-General from the United States.

General Dorey is accompanied by Mrs. Dorey and Miss Dorey who, with Mrs. Stimson and children, landed later from the President McKinley.

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LOCAL WEDDING.**YESTERDAY'S CATHEDRAL CEREMONY.**

A pretty wedding was solemnised at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon, when Miss Gladys May Robinson, daughter of the late Mr. Edward Robinson, barrister-at-Law of Hongkong and of Mrs. A. E. Black of Shanghai, became the bride of Mr. David Henry Perry, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Perry of Bedford.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. V. Koop.

The bride who was dressed in pale blue velvet with hat to match, and carried a sheaf of arum lilies, was given away by Mr. L. A. Corbett, whose wife was the Matron of Honour. The bride was attended by Miss Constance Stanham, who was dressed in April crocus chino with hat of crinoline straw. Her bouquet consisted of sweet peas. Mrs. Cossart wore a dress of rust coloured crepe de chino with beige hat and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

Mr. R. M. Jack was best man.

Both before the ceremony and when the happy couple were leaving the Cathedral, Mr. Mason, the organist, played appropriate wedding music.

Following the service, the guests assembled at the Hongkong Hotel, where the reception was held, Mr. and Mrs. Perry leaving later for Fanling for their honeymoon.

PUBLIC HEALTH.**CAMPAIGN FOR HONGKONG ADULTS.**

A health campaign for adults is being arranged by the Chinese Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. in cooperation with the Medical Association for the week March 3-10. The opening session will take place on Saturday evening, March 3, at 7 o'clock at the Y.M.C.A. building. Dr. S. W. Tsao, and Prof. Anderson of Hongkong University will speak. Moving pictures will be shown.

On each of the following nights, the programme will be in charge of members of the Medical Association. Lectures will be given on subjects of vital interest, relating to personal and home hygiene and public health.

Physical examinations for men have been arranged for each evening from March 5 to 9, from 7.30 p.m. Members of the Medical Association will have charge of these examinations. Women physicians will be in charge of the examinations for women, which will take place on the afternoons of March 5, 7 and 8 from 2.30 to 4 p.m.

Free vaccination will be given to all who desire it, by members of the Medical Association and St. John Ambulance Brigade, on March 7 and 10 from 2.30 to 7.30, and on March 8 and 9 from 5 to 7.30 p.m.

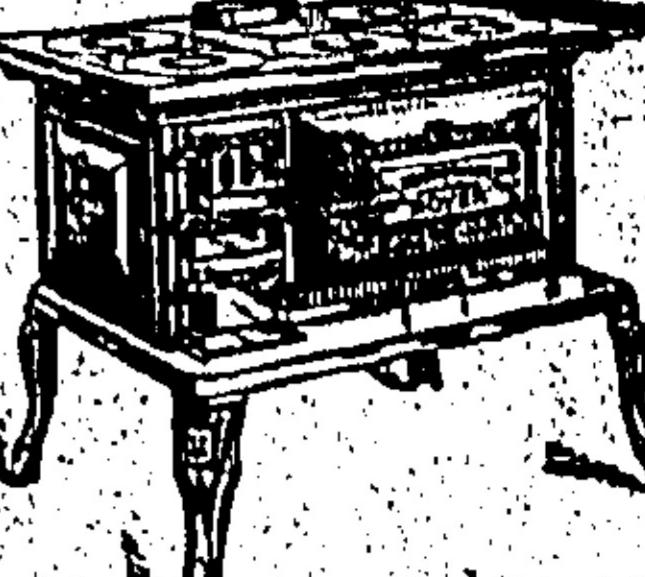
The exhibit will be open to the public each day from 2.30 to 7.30 p.m.

PROPERTY SALE.**CROWN LAND SOLD AT P.W.D. OFFICE.**

At the offices of the Public Works Department yesterday, a new Kowloon inland lot situated at the junction of Cheung Sha Wan Road and Nam Cheung Street, Shamshui Po, was sold by public auction to Mr. Fan Sik-man for \$3,880.50.

The party, with His Excellency Sir Cecil Clementi, then proceeded to Government House, where an informal reception was held last night, which was attended by practically all the members of the American community.

The property, which is known as New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1,123, has an area of 2,657 square feet. The lot was put up at \$3,880.50 and on there being no further bids was knocked down to Mr. Fan Sik-man of No. 342, Main Street, Shaukiwan.

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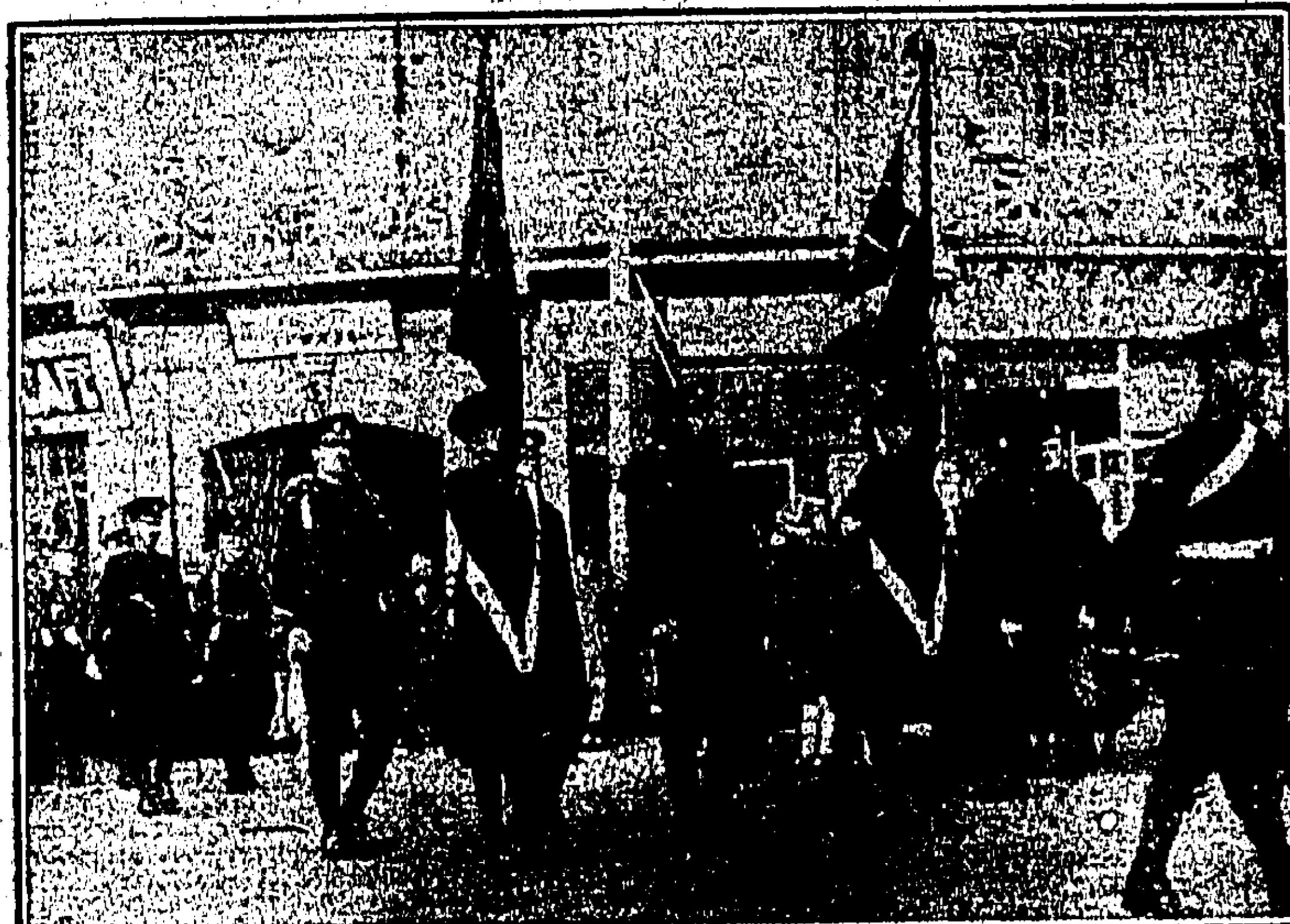
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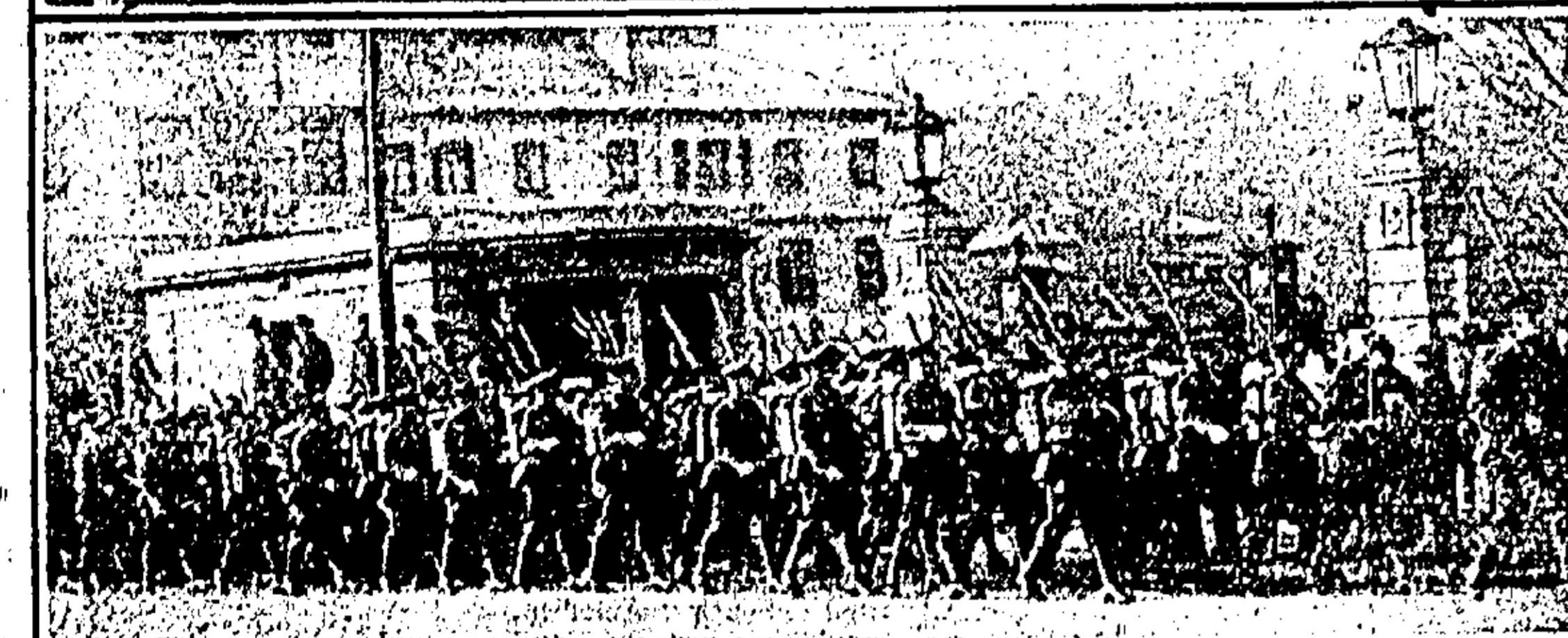
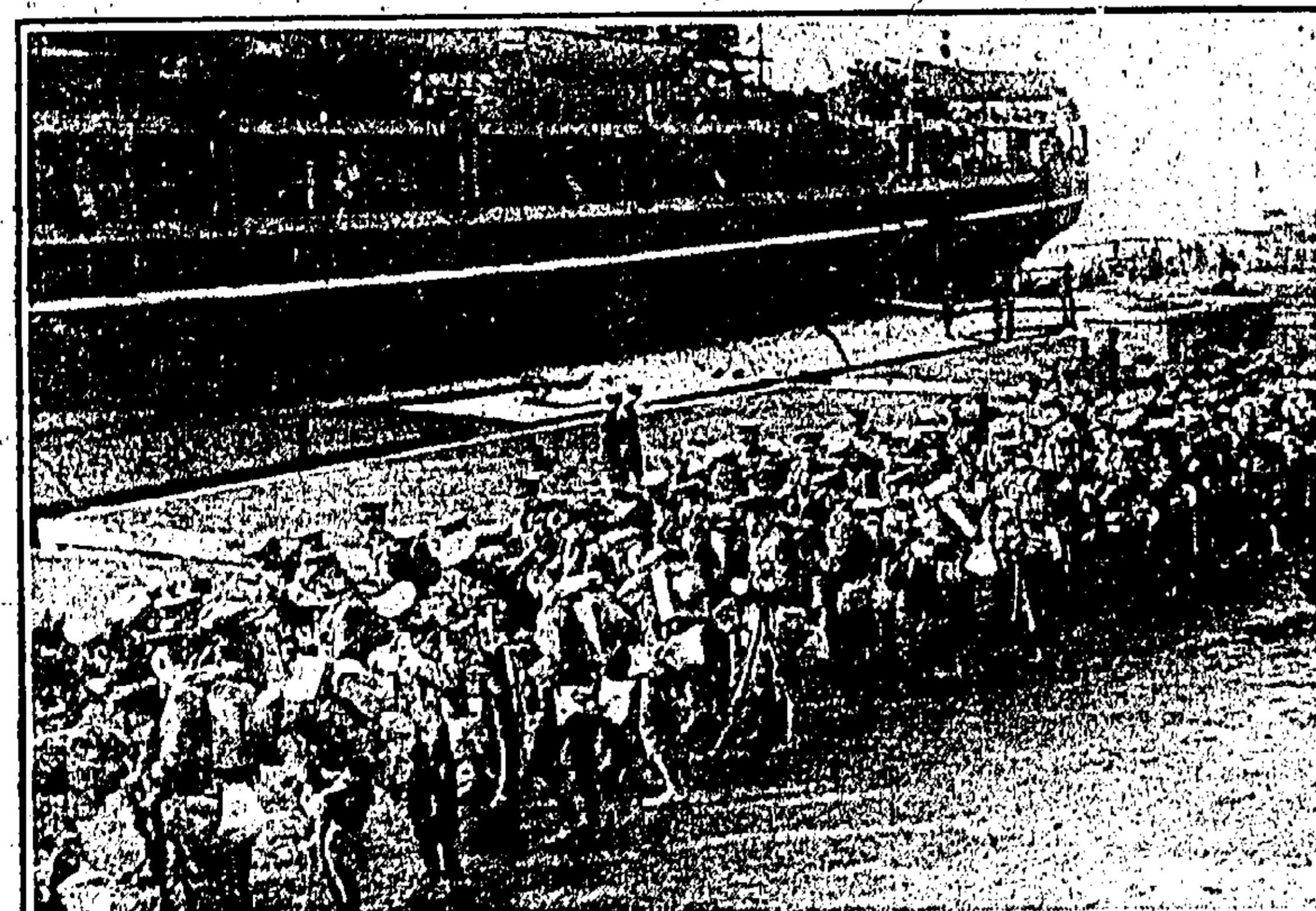




The colours of the 2nd Batt. Coldstream Guards being borne down Nanking Road, Shanghai, on the march to the transport Assaye recently.



Shanghai paid a remarkable farewell tribute to the 2nd Batt. Coldstream Guards, who sailed for home last week after spending nearly a year in the Northern port. In the above picture, Col. Lawrence is seen loading his men down Nanking Road.



These pictures show (top) the men of the Coldstreams marching into the dock at Shanghai (below) marching past the British Consulate-General.



Mr. I. Borosonsky and his bride, Miss O. S. Kaffa, whose wedding was celebrated at the Russian Orthodox Church Shanghai recently.



"Veronique" being played by the Shanghai A. D. C. The picture shows Mme. Lisa Spunt as Agatha and Mr. D. J. Donne as Coquenard.



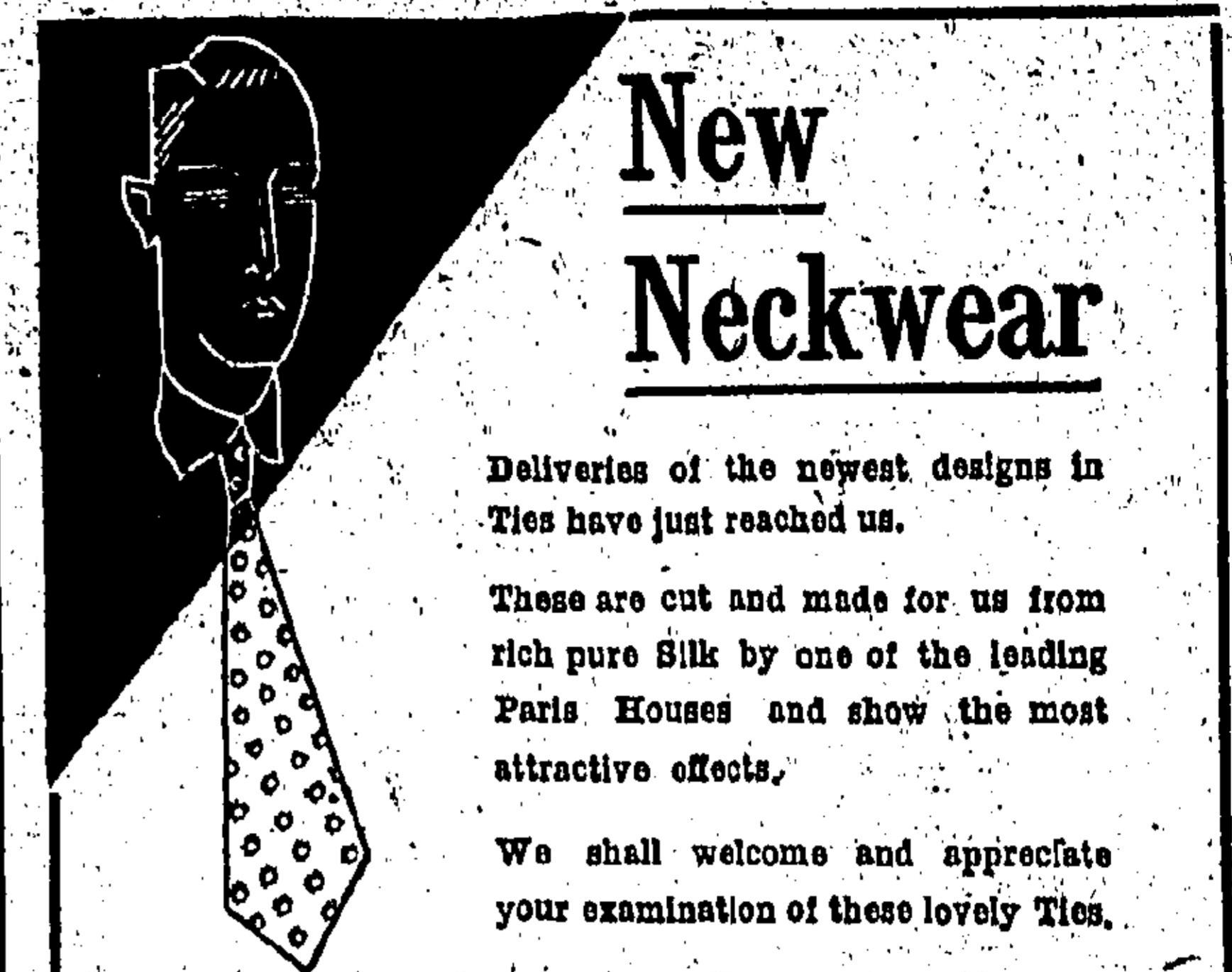
Two of the "war" banners seen along the line of march when Coldstream Guards left Shanghai recently for England after seeing service there for almost a year.



Mr. Stanley Baldwin and Lord Birkenhead with the Indian Commission before their departure from Victoria Station. Left to right:—Mr. Edward Cadogan, M. P., Colonel Lane-Fox, M. P., Mr. Vernon Hartshorn, M. P., Lord Burnham, Sir John Simon, M. P., Lady Simon, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Lord Strathcona, Mr. Attlee, M. P., and Lord Birkenhead. (Times copyright).



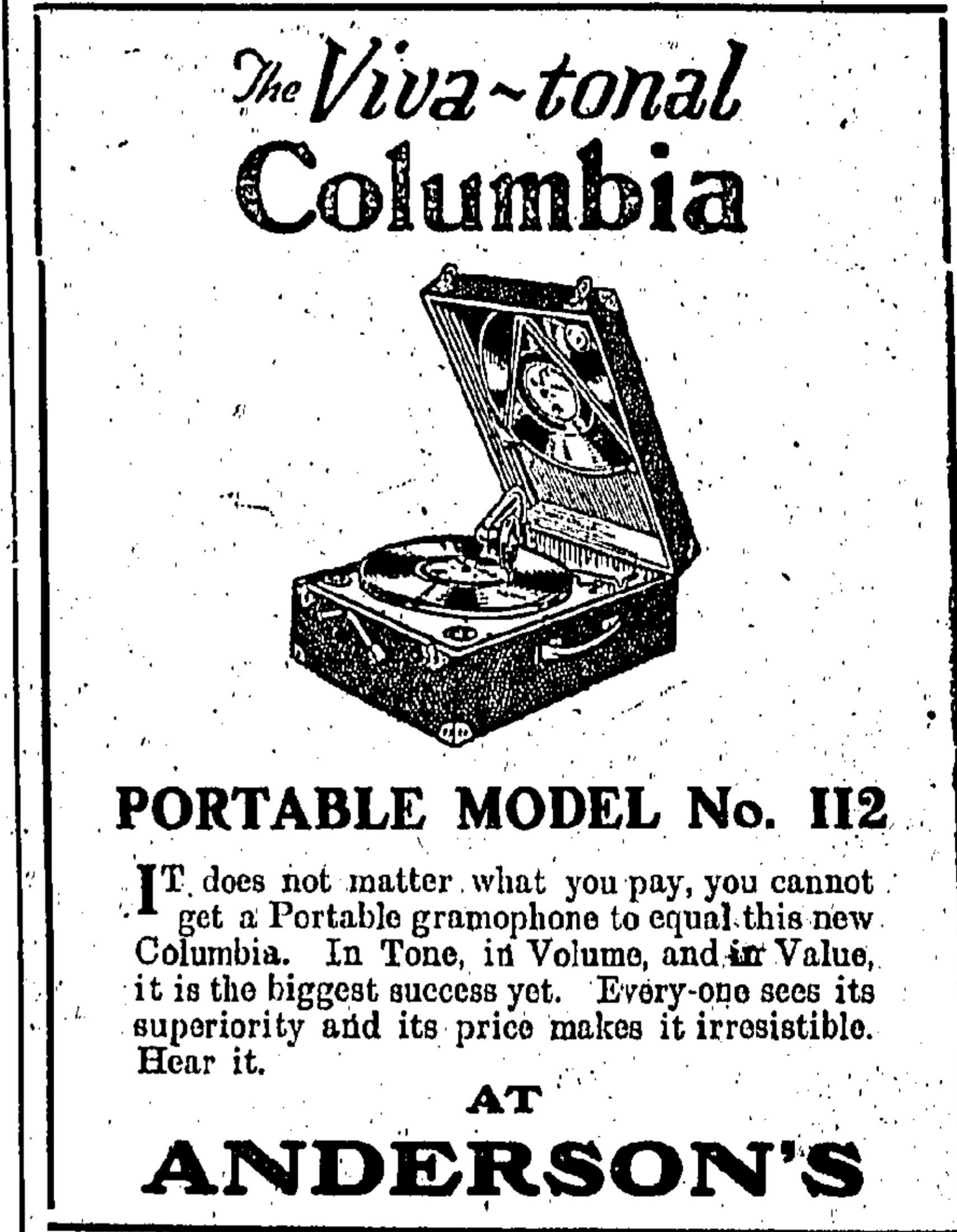
Picture shows Dr. A. Ireland's Sealyham, Birkdale Braggart, winner of no fewer than eight first prizes at the National Terrier Club's Show at Crystal Palace recently. (Times copyright).



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The Institute will re-open on Thursday, March 1st. Students joining Classes held at Queen's College will be enrolled at the Education Department only; those joining Classes held at the Central British School, Kowloon, will be enrolled at that School.

Entry Forms may be obtained at the Education Department or the Central British School.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

If the Marine Boiler left on Kowloon Marine Lot No. 49 by See To Ming is not claimed and removed within fourteen (14) days, same will be sold to defray expenses.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1928.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The Final Dividend declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1927, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is payable on and after the 27th February, 1928, at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 25th Feb. 1928.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.
NOTICE is hereby given that ANDREW HARPER & SON have ceased to be the authorized dealers of this Company for Hongkong and South China as from the 26th day of January, 1928.

FORD MOTOR CO.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE is hereby given that WALLACE HARPER & CO., LTD. have been appointed our authorized dealers for Hongkong and South China as from the 1st day of February, 1928.

FORD MOTOR CO.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the office of the O.C. R.A.S.C., Headquarters, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong until 12 noon on the dates stated for the undermentioned services for the periods as stated:

For One Year commencing 1st April 1928.—
Barrack Services 9th March, 1928.

For Three Months commencing 1st April, 1928.—
General Supplies "A" (Potatoes, Onions and Mustard). 13th March, 1928.

Tender forms and any necessary information may be obtained at the above office between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily, except Sundays.

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB

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Competitors are requested to consult the notices posted in the Pavilion as to the dates on which their matches are to be played.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wednesday, the 29th February, 1928, at noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1927, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 3rd March, 1928 to 16th March, 1928, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. MANUK
Secretary.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1928.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-Ninth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on Friday, 16th March, 1928, at 12 noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1927, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 3rd March, 1928 to 16th March, 1928, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th Feb. 1928.

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E. V. M. R. de SOUSA.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

The undersigned, going home on leave, begs to inform that Mr. LESDOS has been appointed local Agent of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes, with effect from the 25th instant.

(Sgd) J. LIMAGE,
Agent.

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the

THIRTY-SECOND Ordinary Yearly

Meeting of the Shareholders in

the above Company will be held

at the Company's Town Office, 2

Lower Albert Road, on SATURDAY,

10th MARCH, 1928, at noon,

for the purpose of receiving the

Report of the Directors together

with a Statement of Accounts for

the year ending December 1927,

declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the

Company will be closed from the

1st to 10th March, 1928, both

days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

M. MANUK
Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1928.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

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Thirty-Ninth Ordinary General

Meeting will be held at the

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on Friday, 16th March, 1928, at 12

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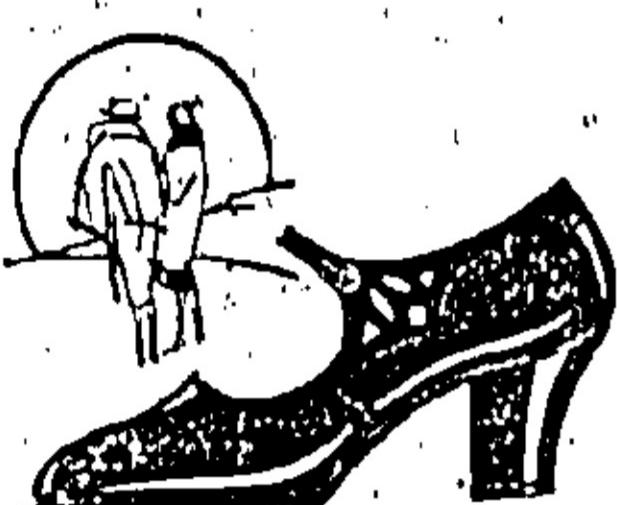
F. H. CRAPNELL,
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4711	{Charmaine C'est Vous
4659	{Halloulih Gönon Get a Girl
4716	{Me and My Shadow In a Street
4616	{Aint She Sweet Dreaming of Brown Eyes
4701	{Here am I Broken-hearted Magnolia
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Persistent rumours that the Astor House Hotel, Shanghai, operated by the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., had been sold or was about to be sold to a group of Japanese capitalists, were last week definitely dispelled by Mr. R. Weeding Skinner, Shanghai Manager for the Company.

A representative of the *Shanghai Times* learned that:

1.—The Astor House Hotel has not been sold.

2.—There are no negotiations pending for the sale of the hotel.

3.—The Astor House Hotel has not been placed on the market.

"The rumour crops up regularly regarding the sale of the Astor House Hotel," Mr. Skinner stated.

"There is not a grain of truth in the report."

In connexion with the Astor House Hotel rumours a very strong one had it that a group of Japanese business men had purchased the place and planned to convert it into an office building.

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MISS CHEE TOY.

NOVELTY TURN AT THE QUEEN'S.

Daughter of the famous magician Ching Ling-foo, Miss Chee Toy, who will appear at all performances in the Queen's Theatre to-day and to-morrow to sing popular English and Chinese songs, is a star in her own right, for besides having presented "turns" in some of the biggest variety halls in London and New York, she has more than once "topped the bill" at the Ziegfeld Follies.

The chief item in the movie programme to-day and to-morrow is "The Side Show of Life," an absorbing story adapted from W. J. Locke's remarkable story, "The Mountebank," with Ernest Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson as leading players. The story deals with the career of an Englishman who has been with a French circus ever since he ran away from home. The fact that his hobby has been war history and war theory stands him in good stead when hostilities break out in 1914. His promotion is rapid and the armistice finds him holding the rank of brigadier-general. During the war he has fallen in love with the daughter of a noble family, thus arousing the jealousy of his circus partner. When the war is over, the brigadier-general is "demobbed." There is nothing for it but to return to the circus. This he does with results that provide a dramatic climax to a powerful story. Not the least charming feature of "The Show of Life" is the fact that the story has a British hero and many of the settings are English.

FASCINATING YOUTH.

Referring to these figures, the hosiery buyer of the large London firm said:—In pre-war days women wore long skirts which covered their legs down to their ankles. The result was that very little attention was paid to what their stockings looked like. Stockings were made of black wool, and it did not matter in the least if holes wore in the legs. They could be darned over and over again without anyone being any wiser.

Not only that; being made of wool and wool cashmere, they were considerably longer than the shiny silk of which stockings are made to-day.

Boom in Stockings.

WHAT WOMEN PREFER.

The modern woman wears three times as many stockings as her sister of pre-war days. This was the opinion expressed to a Press Association representative recently by people in the wholesale and retail stocking trade.

They attributed the increase to short skirts, the introduction of light-coloured stockings, and the fact that silk and artificial silk stockings are more fragile than the woolen stockings of pre-war days.

Mr. Comyns Carr, giving evidence before the Board of Trade Committee considering the application for the imposition of a duty on imported hosiery and knitted wear of cotton and wool, said in 1912 the people of England used 15 million pairs of stockings and socks. In 1924 they used 22½ million pairs. Making allowance for the increase in population, that means four pairs per head in 1912 and six pairs per head in 1924.

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NEW FILM AT THE STAR.

Something new in pictures is offered by the chief picture at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow, "Fascinating Youth," a comedy which is the result of the Paramount Picture School's first term of work. The principal roles are all enacted by students of the cinema school which was organised some months ago, in an endeavour to introduce a new group of faces to movie-goers. The sixteen young men and women seen in "Fascinating Youth" were selected and taken from every walk of life. Some were artists' models, others, college students, still another, a teacher, one, a newspaper reporter, and so on. Full of action, "Fascinating Youth," is therefore a pleasant film as well as an interesting experiment.

THE GREAT LOVE.

AN ELEPHANT'S FUNNY PRANKS.

Showing at the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow is "The Great Love," a comedy written and directed by Marshall Weiland. The story deals with a sentimental elephant who falls in love with the doctor who has cured her of an illness. The elephant causes all sorts of amusing and exciting incidents when she follows the doctor around the town wrecking a village in her desire to be with him. The leading parts are played by Viola Dana and Robert Arne, with Malcolm Waite as the villain. "The Great Love" is being screened at 6.15 and 9.20 p.m. only, the picture at 2.30, and 7.15 p.m. being the Chinese drama, "The Romance of a Star."

Sir Francis Lacey announced at the Hants County cricket meeting that Hampshire was in need of young players, and if the home supply failed the executive might have to look for them outside the country.

Electric Waver.

The electric hair waver is so great an improvement upon the old style waver which one heated up over the gas ring that no woman who is shingled can afford to be without one, to turn up those obstinate ends. The newest elec-

Film Production.

WELL-KNOWN HOSTESS ENTERS FILM WORLD.

Considerable interest has been aroused by the news that Mrs. Wilfrid Ashley, wife of Colonel Wilfrid Ashley, Minister of Transport, has joined a British film-producing concern as adviser on etiquette, dress, interior decoration, and general "taste."

Even as foreign films have been criticised in the past for inaccuracies and inelegancies, English films, too, have erred from time to time in the same way.

A Smart three-piece Suit.



A French embodiment of Riviera chic—a three-piece suit of combined white and green, the cape collared and cuffed in dyed badger.

The fact that a well-known hostess such as Mrs. Wilfrid Ashley is to enter the British film world is regarded as an indication on the part of the British film-maker to leave nothing to chance in securing perfection in every detail and in the spirit of intelligent production.

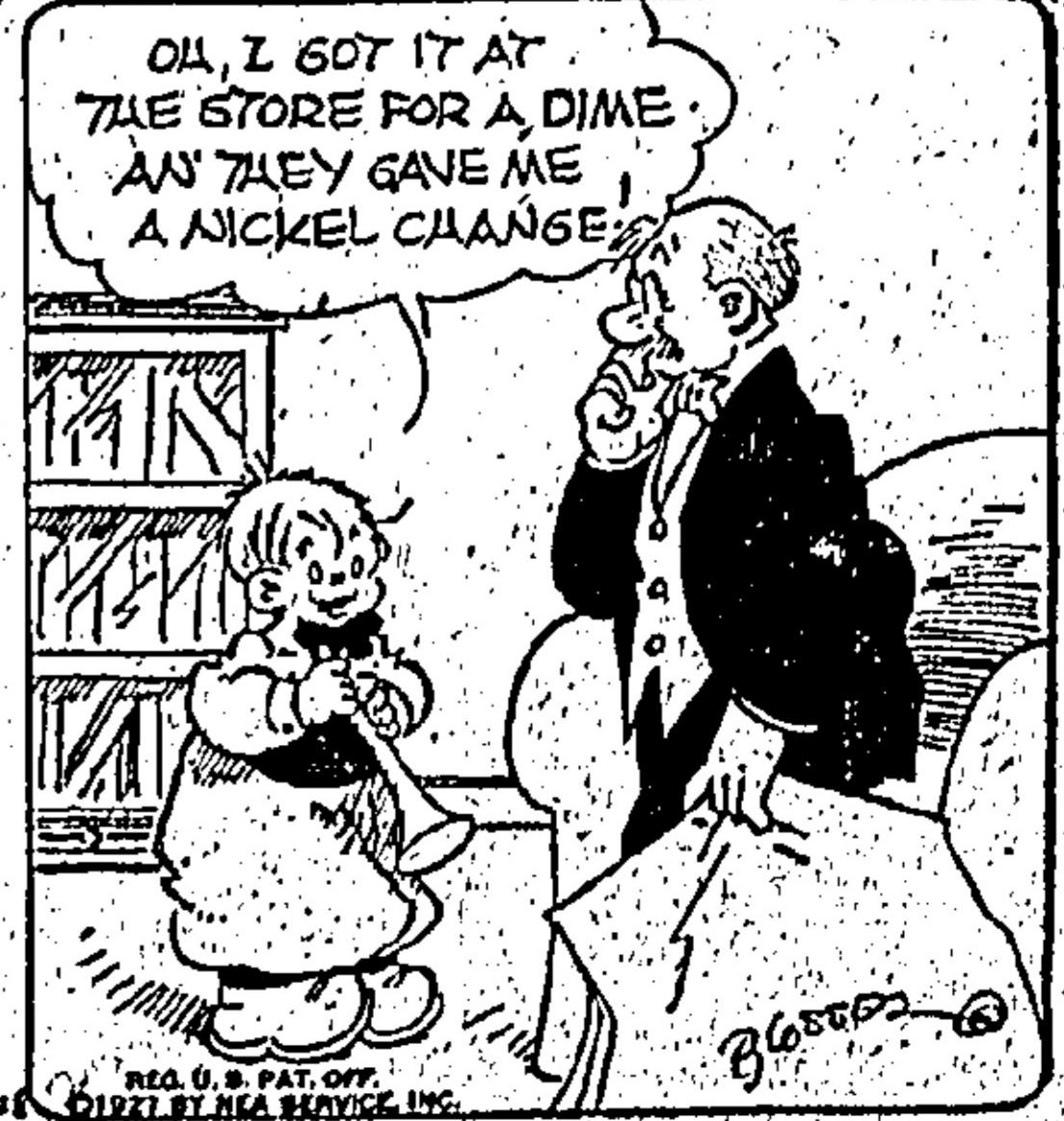
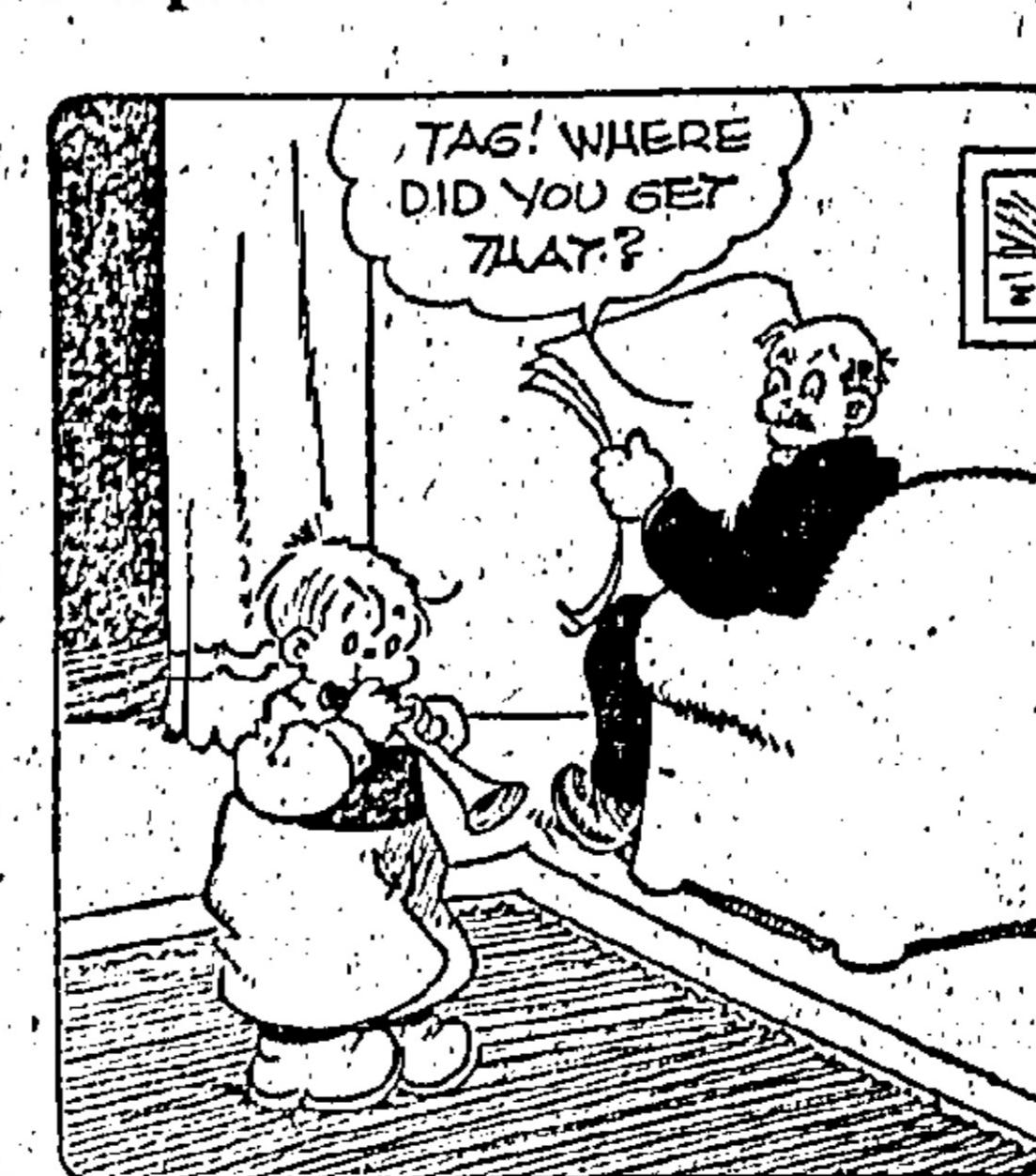
If silver teapots are washed with coloured pattern, add a little Fuller's earth to the water. This cleanses, and does no harm to delicate tints.

Pay special attention to the rims of the lids, which are often neglected.

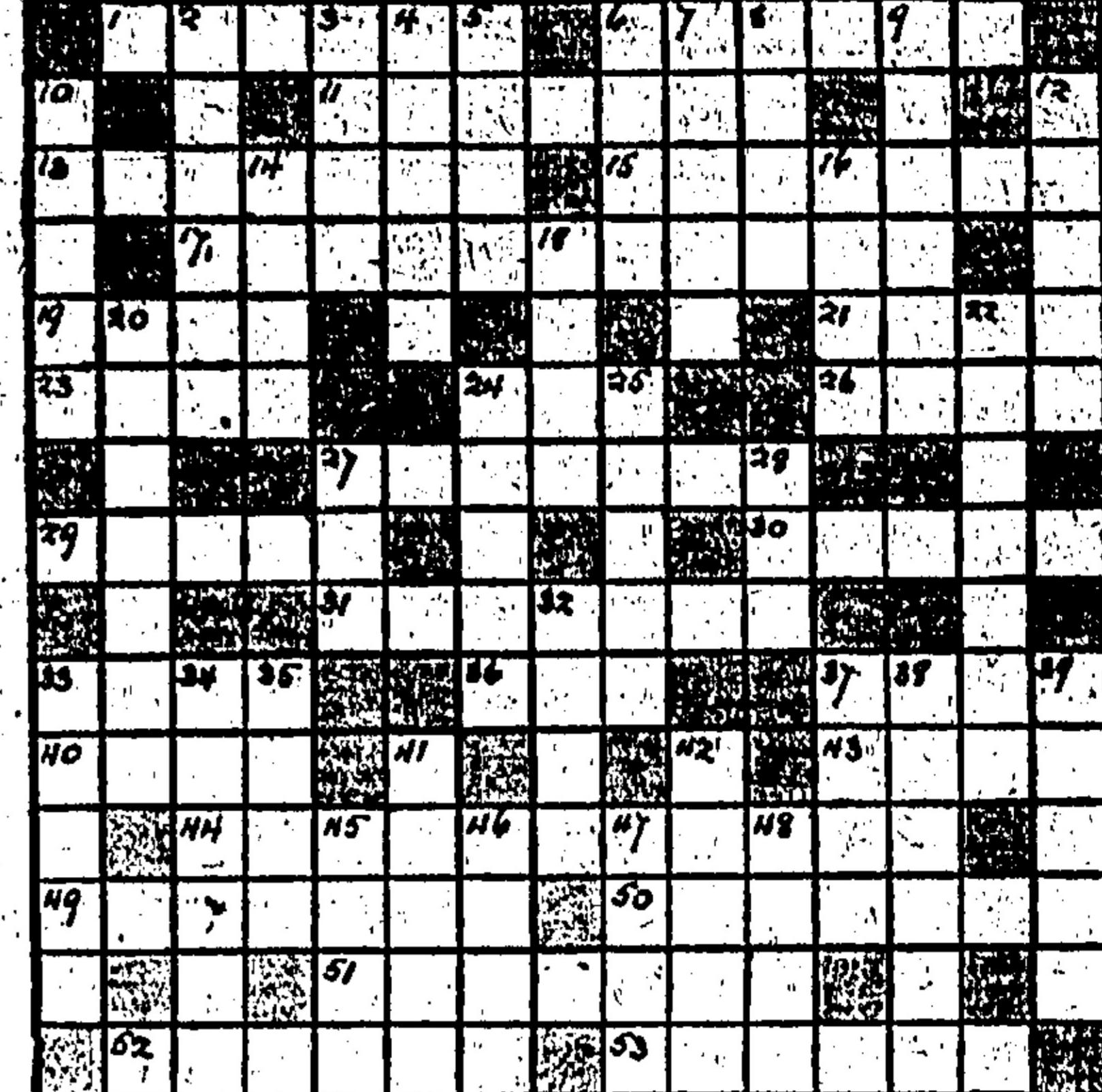
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By Blosser

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



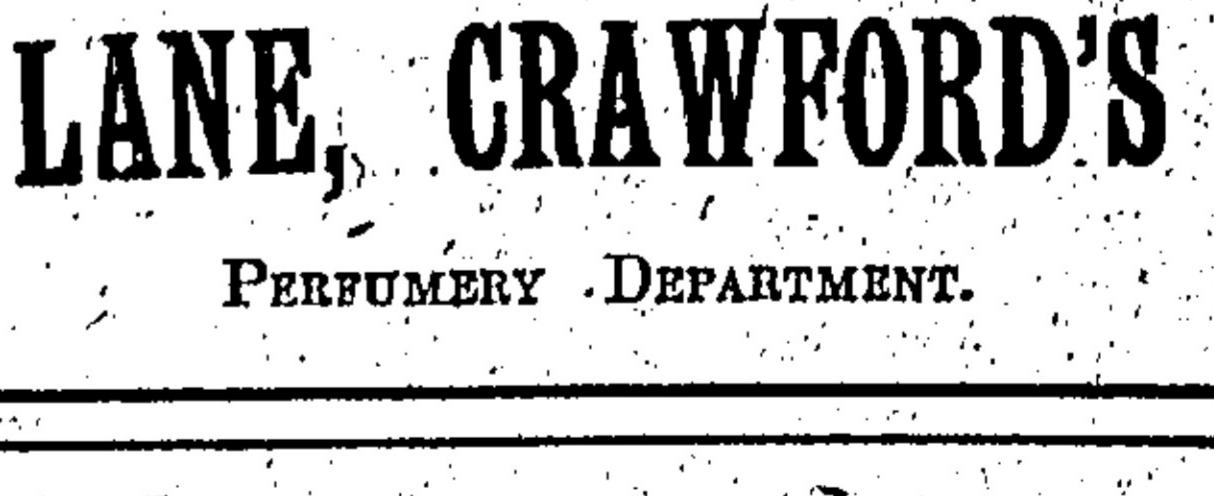
Across.
1 Vaults.
6 Scarves worn round waist.
11 Composed of colite.
12 Armlet.
13 Capable of stretching.
17 Power in arms.
19 Three united.
21 Barn.
22 Material similar to hemp.
24 Firm.
25 Send forth.
27 Wicker basket.
29 Firearm.
30 Caper.
31 Lugged.
33 Seed-vessels.
36 Spread to the air.
37 On top.
40 One.
43 Numerical.
44 Most common ore of tin.
49 Begun.
50 Burial service.
61 Appetitive.
52 Variety of flint glass.
53 Beta.

Down.
2 Stay.
3 River island.
4 One of ancient Greek races.
5 Strike with open hand.
6 Let it stand.
7 Felt ill.
8 Glance lightly.
9 Set a value on.
10 Gasp.
12 Tax.
14 Metal.
16 Curve in a piece of garment.
18 Sign.

GIST DURST STOP
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SNUB MINIM EAST
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The
Hongkong Telegraph

TUESDAY, FEB. 28, 1928.

GETTING TOGETHER.

It will be hailed as a happy circumstance that, so soon after the visit of Sir Miles Lampson to Canton, distinguished officials from the Southern capital are coming down to Hongkong this week, to pay their respects to His Excellency the Governor and to meet the foreign and Chinese communities of the Colony. As we remarked yesterday, it is very many years since there was an exchange of formal official visits between Hongkong and Canton. If our memory is not at fault, Friday's visit by General Li Chai-sum and party will be the first of its kind since the Chinese Republic was established. During the Governorship of Sir Frederick Lugard, Viceroy Shum paid a courtesy call on His Excellency, who returned it later, and it is an interesting coincidence that on that occasion Sir (then Mr.) Cecil Clementi was amongst the official party which went up to Canton from Hongkong. That Sir Cecil should be the first chief representative of this Colony to renew this contact after so many years will invest his pending return visit to Canton with special interest. The call which General Li Chai-sum and party are making on Friday is also historic from the fact that for the first time in the history of the Colony the wives of Chinese officials are to be amongst the guests of H. E. the Governor and his wife. Apart from the new status of Chinese ladies which this betokens, the value of the new personal contact thus engendered willsure to find general appreciation.

Those who have met General Li Chai-sum in his official capacity all unite in paying tribute to his sincerity and to his keen desire not only to bring better rule to Kwangtung but also to work in complete harmony with foreign interests. His recent utterances, during the visit of Sir Miles Lampson, have been permeated by a feeling of real friendship for Britain and the British and have shown that he has the right conception of the relationships which should exist between Canton and Hongkong. If he continues in that policy, as we have every reason to believe he will, the results

will be to the mutual benefit of the two centres. In view of Britain's close association with Canton, from the very earliest days of commercial intercourse, it is most fitting that the new era in the South should be marked by a revival of the old spirit of friendship and co-operation, which the coming visit of General Li Chai-sum and party should do much to strengthen. Hongkong will also extend a very cordial welcome to Mr. Chu Chao-lisin, Canton's Minister for Foreign Affairs, who is one of the officials accompanying the Chairman of the Southern Government. Mr. Chu, who is a native of Kwangtung, has had wide diplomatic experience, having been Consul General in San Francisco, Chargé d'Affaires in London and Minister to Italy, whilst his work as delegate to the League of Nations Assembly at Geneva is too well known to need emphasising. In his official capacity in Canton, he is working in the fullest harmony with Mr. Brennan, the British Consul-General, who has during the past week-end paid him a deserved tribute and asserted that British relations with Canton are now on a firm and friendly footing. The year 1928 has certainly opened most promisingly so far as the official relationships between Hongkong and Canton are concerned, and we are only echoing the sentiments of the whole community here when we express the hope that the new and better contacts will be long maintained.

Transport Facilities.

There is much scope for the individual with a statistical turn of mind in the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard's speech at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Tramway Company. A notable new record of nearly 28,000,000 passengers carried, excluding season ticket holders, was set, while it is no matter for congratulation that on one day during the Chinese New Year, the Company transported over 150,000 persons without a single mishap. These are figures which speak for themselves, and may be accepted as a further sign of the growth and development of the Colony, and its recovery from the depression following the boycott. Such encouraging indications must not delude the observer into the idea that a great deal has not still to be made up, but the mere fact that forward progress is definitely established should stimulate enterprise. The Tramway Company is seriously considering the organisation of bus services in the Colony, although the proposed routes have not been indicated. The Hon. Mr. Bernard, however, said enough to indicate that the Company will commence operations if permission can be obtained. At the moment we cannot see great scope on the island for a new bus service. In the districts served by the Hongkong Hotel Garage, on the roads to the University and Felix Villas, the present service is adequate; indeed, the Hotel Company deserve the thanks of the community for initiating it. When all things are considered the Island of Hongkong is remarkably well favoured in its transport facilities, thanks to the far-sighted policy of such companies as have been mentioned.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Feb. 27.
Paris	124
New York	487 81/32
Geneva	15 34
Amsterdam	12 12/4
Milan	92 10
Berlin	20 43
Stockholm	18 17
Copenhagen	18 20
Oulu	18 31
Vienna	34 32/5
Prague	15 42
Helsingfors	103 4
Madrid	28 91
Lisbon	2 19/64
Athens	36 92
Bucharest	70 42
Rio	5 59/64
Buenos Aires	4 7/8
Bombay	1/5 31/32
Shanghai	2 6/32
Hongkong	2 0/32
Yokohama	1/11 1/32
Silver (spot)	26 3/16
Silver (forward)	20 1/4

British Wireless

DAY BY DAY.

IT IS THE UNHAPPY MAN WHO COMMONLY SITS DOWN AND THINKS; THE HAPPY MAN GETS UP AND DOES SOMETHING.—G. S. Street.

The Empress of Asia left Vancouver on the 25th February and is due here on the 15th March.

The P. and O.s. Devanha, from Hongkong, arrived at London on 26th February at 1 a.m.

The list of Special and Common Jurors has been issued as a Hongkong Government Gazette Extraordinary.

The U.S. President McKinley, arriving yesterday from the United States and Shanghai, with 253 Asiatic deck passengers, reported the death of two en route.

A large quantity of provision and wines are to be sold by Public Auction at Messrs. Lammert's Auction Rooms to-morrow Wednesday at 10 a.m. The provisions will be put up in small lots to suit purchasers.

Last week's health return shows five cases of typhoid fever (three fatal), three of small-pox (one fatal) and two of diphtheria (one fatal). All were Chinese. There were also four Chinese deaths from influenza.

This morning's Harbour Office report gave 16 arrivals and eight departures of which three and four respectively were British. The tonnage for the day was fair, with generally good inward cargoes, but tonnage of exports were less.

The reception which the Committee of the Khalsa Diwan is giving to Mr. K. S. Chowdhury, the first Indian barrister to practise in Hongkong, is to take place at Lane Crawford's Restaurant on Friday, the 9th instant, at 5.15 p.m.

The marriage of Mr. Richard Charles Leo with Miss Esther Wong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wong, takes place to-day at St. John's Cathedral, at 4 p.m. After the ceremony there will be a reception at the Lee Gardens, at 4.30.

Among passengers arriving yesterday by s.s. President Taft from Manila and landing here were Lieut. and Mrs. F. V. Fitzgerald, Comdr. and Mrs. R. F. Frellsen, Mr. R. E. Humphreys, Colonel and Mrs. E. J. Morris and Mr. G. G. Perdue.

Fines ranging from \$5 to \$15 were imposed by Major C. Willson this morning, on a number of traffic offenders, guilty of trivial offences during the past week. Inefficient brakes, poor headlights, failing to obey police instructions and directions, failing to report accidents, and obstructions formed the nature of a varied list of offences.

The utilization of a tract of approximately 75 acres of land in Biugue, granted to the United States Navy by an executive proclamation of the President of the United States in 1910, is being seriously considered at the present time by the Asiatic Fleet, it is learned in Manila from authoritative sources.

The hearing of the case against two soldiers charged with alleged fraud of \$75 from the Jockey Club during Race week, was to have continued this morning, but owing to the illness of Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones, solicitor for the defence, the case will now be heard on Thursday morning at 10.30 a.m. The two soldiers appeared in Court this morning and were formally remanded.

There will be no municipal elections in Shanghai this year, only nine nominations having been received yesterday for the nine seats on the Municipal Council. As a result the nine nominees are considered to have been elected, an official communication states. The nine named are: Messrs. H. E. Arnhold, A. D. Bell, S. Fessenden, K. Fukushima, T. Funatsu, B. C. M. Johnston, W. P. Lambe, V. G. Lyman and J. J. Paterson.

A plea of guilty was entered by the agent's representative stating that this was the first visit to Hongkong of Captain Nakamura and he was not conversant with the regulations. Care would be taken that no offence would be committed in future, and that the compradore's staff and cargo coolies would be entered on the articles.

His Worship pointed out that the law relating to passengers was International, and that Japanese regulations did not differ at all from those of Hongkong and therefore there was no excuse for the evasion.

A fine of \$100, with the alternative of two months' imprisonment, was inflicted.

MORE RAIN PREDICTED.

To-day's observatory report states:—An anticyclone is still central over South Manchuria. Conditions over South China are uncertain. Moderate monsoon may be expected over the China Sea. The forecast up to noon tomorrow is:—North-east winds, moderate; generally overcast; some rain.

PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING.

MR. R. C. LEE AND MISS ESTHER WONG.

A wedding of particular local interest was solemnised at St. John's Cathedral this afternoon, when Miss Esther Wong, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wong, became the bride of Mr. Richard Charles Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hysan, the Very Rev. Dean Swanee officiating.

The parents of both parties are well-known both in Chinese and European circles. Mr. J. M. Wong is the compradore of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., and has taken considerable interest in public affairs, while Mr. Lee Hysan is the proprietor of the Lee Gardens and Theatre.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was charmingly attired in a gown of silver lace, trimmed with pearls, and she carried a bouquet of white roses. She was attended by Miss Sarah Wong, as maid of honour, with the Misses Mary Chan, Ethel Lam, Elsie Wong, Dora Wong, Jeanette Wong and Fung Syn Wong as bridesmaids, all of whom wore dresses of crepe satin of multiple colours, trimmed with rosettes. Their bouquets were of pink roses.

The bride's mother was attired in full Chinese ceremonial dress. Mr. Frank Gross disengaged the deputations of best man, and Mr. F. Mason officiated at the organ.

Subsequent to the ceremony, a reception was held at Lane Crawford's. The happy couple are to make a honeymoon trip to Europe.

BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO BERLIN.

WELL-KNOWN DIPLOMAT GIVEN APPOINTMENT.

Berlin, Feb. 27.

The British Government has asked the German Government to approve the appointment of Sir Horace Rumbold as Ambassador at Berlin.—Reuters.

The ninth baronet, Sir Horace Rumbold, P.C., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., has been Ambassador at Madrid since 1924, having spent practically the whole of his life in the Diplomatic Service. His appointments have taken him to Vienna, Cairo, Munich, The Hague, Switzerland, and Japan. He was Charge d'affaires at Tokyo in 1909, and a wonderful linguist he received special allowances for knowledge of Japanese, Arabic, and Persian.

The appointment now made is particularly interesting as Sir Horace Rumbold was Charge d'affaires at Berlin at the outbreak of the War, leaving on the declaration and joining the Foreign Office. He signed the Lausanne Treaty for Great Britain in 1923.

Germany Agrees.

Berlin, Feb. 27.

The Government has agreed to the appointment of Sir Horace Rumbold as Ambassador at Berlin.—Reuters.

EXCESS PASSENGERS.

JAPANESE MASTER FINED.

The adjourned case against Captain Nakamura, of ss. Nisshin Maru, charged with carrying 31 passengers, when only 12 were allowed by law, was resumed before Commdr. G. F. Hole this morning. A representative of the agents, Messrs. Saito and Company, appeared on behalf of the accused.

A plea of guilty was entered by the agent's representative stating that this was the first visit to Hongkong of Captain Nakamura and he was not conversant with the regulations. Care would be taken that no offence would be committed in future, and that the compradore's staff and cargo coolies would be entered on the articles.

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More Rain Predicted.

The new motor ambulance built for the Tung Wah Hospital was on view at the Central Police Station yesterday morning, when it was taken up to be tested before being put into service. The chassis is an Austin "20," the body, which was built locally, and is painted white, is very roomy. The apartment has comfortable accommodation for two stretcher patients on one side, whilst on other is a long seat which can be used for accommodating attendants or patients in less serious cases.

The Very Idea!

A small boy was told that when visitors came to the house it was his duty to pay them some attention.

Shortly afterwards a Mrs. Daniel called, and he shook hands politely, and exclaimed in his best drawing-room manner: "How do you do, Mrs. Daniel? I've just been reading about your husband in the den of lions."

On the famous occasion, when Lord Bowen read out the draft of the address to be presented by the Judges to Her Majesty Queen Victoria at her Jubilee, judicial humour was signally in evidence.

"Conscious as we are of one another's defects," read Bowen to their august Lordships.

"I am not conscious of any defect," interrupted one learned Judge.

Bowen bowed politely, paused—and altered his draft.

Then he read out:</

ANOTHER VESSEL GOES ASHORE.

THE KINKO MARU STRIKES ROCKS.

RIVER STRANDINGS.

Following the reports of the strandings of the river steamers Kwong Fook Cheong, San Nam Hoi and Ichang, yet another marine casualty was recorded this morning, the vessel involved being the s.s. Kinko Maru, of the Shiozaki Yokichi, she having struck the rocks in the vicinity of Turnabout Island.

The earliest news was received last night by wireless, the master stating that the vessel had gone ashore during fog in Latitude 26° 26' North, Longitude 119° 55' East, the position being approximately that of the Turnabout Island Rocks south of Foochow.

An enquiry at the local agents (the M.B.K.) this morning, no further news had been received and it is presumed that the vessel is in no danger, assistance not having yet been despatched.

The s.s. Kinko Maru (ex-Holmberg, ex-Harald), is a steel screw steamer of 2,087 gross and 1,921 net, built in 1903 by J. Thompson and Son of Sunderland, and formerly owned by the Dampskiba Ringborg of Haugesund, but now in the ownership of the Shiozaki Yokichi and registered at Amagasaki, for whom the M.B.K. are acting as local agents. Her dimensions are:—Length 325 feet, beam 48 feet and moulded depth 21.4 feet, engined to 285 N.H.P. by G. Clark and Co. of Sunderland. It is understood that the vessel was en route to Hongkong from northern ports.

River Strandings.

On arrival last night, the s.s. Tai Lee stated that the s.s. Kwong Fook Chong had been reloaded and had discharged her cargo at Kongmoon, subsequently leaving for Hongkong. The Kwong Fook Cheong followed the Tai Lee down and after berthing early this morning, was later docked at Shumshupu for survey, but it is understood that the vessel is not seriously damaged.

The s.s. San Nam Hoi was sighted by s.s. Tai Lee on Sunday evening, stranded off the Swalloway. After communication between the vessels, the Tai Lee anchored beyond the bar and the San Nam Hoi's passengers, numbering 360 were transferred via three junks. A British gunboat was seen to be standing by.

On the passage down last night, the s.s. Tai Lee again sighted the San Nam Hoi proceeding upwards to Kongmoon, she having been reloaded and making her way to her port of destination. It is understood that the San Nam Hoi will berth here at about midnight tonight.

The s.s. Ichang, of the China Navigation Company, returned to harbour this morning, after grounding in the vicinity of Junk Rock. She entered in ballast from Canton and will probably be surveyed for damage at Taikoo during the next 24 hours.

SIR MILES LAMPSON.

RETURNING FROM CANTON VISIT.

Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister to China, is returning this afternoon from his official visit to Canton.

To-night Sir Miles Lampson will be entertained at a dinner party at eight o'clock at the Chinese Merchants Club, China Building, by the two Chinese representatives in the Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., and the Hon. Sir Shou-sun Chow.

His Excellency, the Governor and many other distinguished members of the foreign community in Hongkong together with many noted Chinese merchants will be present in the gathering.

Chinese merchants who are among the invited guests include: Li Yau-tsui, Li Yick-nui, Wong Kwong-tin, Dr. S. W. Tao, Ho Kwong, Tang Shiu-kin, Ma Chu-chu, Li Po-kwai, T. N. Chau, Ho Kom-tong, Fung Ping-shan, Leung Kwai-din, Lo Chung-ku, Li Shing-ku, Sum Pak-ming, Kok Shiu-lau, Li Jon-shan, Mok Kon-sang, Ip Lan-chuen, Wong Ping-shuen, Wong Ping-yew, Li Cho-fong, and many others.

It is learned that during his coming visit to Hongkong, General Li Chai-sum will also be entertained by Chinese merchants at the Chinese Merchants' Club on the 4th March.

According to the official (Soviet) *Tass* Agency, Leonid Novikov, an ex-chief of the commercial administration of the Trans-Caucasian Commissariat for Trade, has been executed for "systematically taking bribes from profiteers."

STEAMBOAT CO. MEETING.

BRIGHTER OUTLOOK REPORTED.

HOPE OF DIVIDEND FOR CURRENT YEAR.

NO CANTON TROUBLE.

The ordinary annual meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Limited, was held at the Company's offices this morning Mr. T. G. Weall presiding. Other Directors present were Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. J. M. Alves, Mr. R. K. Batchelor, Mr. C. Gordon Mackie and Mr. A. B. Stewart; with the Secretary, Mr. John Arnold. Shareholders present were the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. D. M. Goodall, Mr. L. S. Greenhill, Mr. W. E. van Eps, Mr. Cheng Ching-po, and Mr. Lo Kai-hong.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

Chairman's Speech.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen.—The report and accounts for the year ending 31st December 1927 have been in your hands for the prescribed period and I therefore propose, with your consent, to take them as well as the auditors' certificate as read.

The profit on working for the period under review, including income from investments, rents, government grant, profit on the sale of a lighter and moorings, amounts to \$347,832.89, from which has to be deducted cost of repairs, directors' and auditors' fees, interest and depreciation on the usual scale, leaving a net profit of \$78,182.48. We carried forward from previous account a deficit of \$246,985.33 and your Directors recommend that transfers from reserves should be made to wipe off this deficit and leave a small credit balance of \$11,197.15 to carry forward to new account. According to \$100,000 has been taken from Equalization of Dividend Fund and \$80,000 from Investment Fluctuation Account, reducing these accounts to \$60,000 and \$250,332.88 respectively.

Mortgage Repaid.

The value of investments shows a reduction of \$137,189 on account of the sale of certain securities to enable us to repay the mortgage on s.s. Taishan, and the sum transferred from Investment Fluctuation Account, namely \$80,000, approximately represents profit on realisation. The amount standing at credit of Investment Fluctuation Account still shows a reserve of fully 30 per cent of your investments, which is ample considering the class of investments held.

With regard to the transfer of \$100,000 from Equalization of Dividend Fund, you will, I feel sure, agree that it is better to appropriate a part of this reserve, thus enabling us to start a new year with a credit balance rather than carry forward a deficit.

Your Directors regret that once again they are unable to recommend payment of a dividend, but provided conditions continue as at present, we can look forward to some return for account of the present year.

Office Economics.

Before passing from the accounts, I would mention that, following the suggestions offered by a shareholder at the last annual meeting, the possibility of effecting economies in our office organisation was fully considered and it was found that only a few minor economies were possible, without impairing efficiency.

It was also suggested that a saving of some \$30,000 might be effected by the appointment of a local shipping firm as general agents. It has been felt that while the present unsettled conditions of trade exist, the time was hardly opportune to explore this suggestion.

Your fleet and property have been maintained in first-class order and, while on this subject, I would like to mention Captain R. Innes, the China Navigation Company's Marine Superintendent, who has acted as Marine Superintendent for our Company, and is shortly retiring after 30 years' service during which his work and advice in this Company's interest have been of great value.

With regard to the Macao trade, the question of placing faster and more up-to-date vessels on this run is constantly occupying your Directors' attention, but they feel that the time is hardly opportune to embark upon building programme.

Moderate Trade.

Trade generally in the Canton Delta during the year under review can only be classed as moderate. Due to conditions existing in the country, movement of cargo has been generally restricted, while the (Continued on Page 8.)

BATTLE AT YEN MEN PASS.

FENGTIEN TROOPS PREPARING BIG OFFENSIVE.

SHANSI MEN TO FIGHT.

Shanghai, Feb. 28. A message from Nanking states that Marshal Yen Hai-shan, the Shanxi Tuan, yesterday reported the immediate outbreak of hostilities between the Shansi forces and the Fengtien Army in the vicinity of Yen Men Pass.

Reinforcements are being rushed up from Talyuanfu in order to strengthen the Shansi defences against which Chang Tao-jin's troops have been making preparations to launch an attack.

It is expected that heavy fighting will take place soon, as the Shansi leader states he is determined not to give way.—Reuters.

Shanghai, Feb. 27.

With a view to the impending offensive against the Fengtien forces along the Tsinpu line, Chiang Kai-shek has ordered the mobilization of all the participating armies in preparation for an advance at a moment's notice.—Reuters.

Heavy Fighting Expected.

Shanghai, Feb. 28. A telegram from General Yen Hai-shan, forwarded to Nanking, under date of the 26th, reports that heavy troop movements on the part of the Fengtien forces on the Peking-Suiyuan Railway had been taking place since the 19th inst.

Three divisions of Fengtien troops under General Tang Yun-lun, have arrived in the vicinity of Yen Men Pass. General Tang is also reported to have arrived at the front on the 19th; and has been preparing an attack on the Shansi forces.

General Yen adds that two Divisions have been despatched northward for reinforcing purposes. Heavy fighting on the Northern front is shortly expected.—*Nam Chung Pao*.

NEW AMBASSADOR.



Sir Horace Rumbold, who has just been appointed British Ambassador to Berlin.

ARMS POSSESSION.

CHINESE PASSENGER'S EXPLANATION.

A Chinese passenger of the s.s. President McKinley, which arrived from America yesterday afternoon, was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning, with being in possession of one revolver and five rounds of ammunition.

The defendant pleaded guilty to possession and said he was not aware that it was necessary to get a licence.

When asked what he required the revolver for, he replied that it did not belong to him, but that he had found it in the pocket of an overcoat which somebody had dropped on the deck of the ship shortly after arrival. The defendant stated that he had just picked up the coat when he was accosted by a detective and searched, the revolver and ammunition being found in the pocket.

After seeing the overcoat, his Worship said that it certainly seemed possible that such had been the case.

Sergeant Fowler, who prosecuted, said the defendant had made the same statement to the police immediately on arrest.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$200, or three months' hard labour, intimating that he thought that would meet the case.

Moderate Trade.

A new by-pass road linking the Kingston by-pass and the London to Folkestone road, is foreshadowed in a letter from the Ministry of Transport to the Bromley Council.

SHANGHAI CINEMA UPROAR.

FRENCH OBJECTIONS TO "BEAU GESTE".

POLICE CALLED TO QUELL DISTURBANCE.

SOME LIVELY SCENES.

Police from Sinza Station had to be called out at a Shanghai Theatre last week to deal with an attempt of a number of Frenchmen, including one or two well-known French residents, to stop the showing of "Beau Geste," the film based on the novel by Major P. C. Wren dealing with the French Foreign Legion.

At one time, half-way through the picture, when incidents represented by the French portion of the audience were being portrayed, the situation was alarming.

The police moved against the man who appeared to be one of the leaders of the opposition and immediately there was an uproar.

Serious trouble was averted, but the opposition continued.

Shouting and Yelling.

When the film opened the opposition soon made itself heard. About a score of Frenchmen occupied the back seat of the circle and began shouting, yelling, stamping their feet and blowing police whistles when any incident was shown in the film, which met their displeasure. The acts of the hard-boiled Sergeant LaJaune met with roars of disapproval.

For a solid hour the uproar continued, two of the men using motor horns to add to the din.

Many patrons of the theatre, prevented from enjoying the performance, left the place in disgust as cries of "Liar!" "It isn't true," "It's nothing but German propaganda" came floating down from the back of the circle.

Police Arrive.

As the uproar continued, demands were made that the film be stopped a call was put in for the police, and a party was sent from the nearest police station.

This action of the management was resented and there was disorder for some time with the police mixed up with disturbers, who stood on their feet and protested.

Attempts were made to stop the showing of the film, one man holding his hat over the aperture in the projection box until his hand was snatched away by the police.

Loud voices were raised in which the main appeal by the Frenchmen was that the picture be stopped: that it was a false representation of the true facts: that it was incorrect: that it was German propaganda and other things.

Non-French members of the audience, their tempers sorely tried by this disturbance, took a hand by asking the French people "if they didn't like it to get out." The reply came back that they were there to stop it.

Manager Intervenes.

As the police and disturbers milled around in the back seats of the circle, the manager made his voice heard and assured the opposition party that when the film was shown before, he received a letter from Captain E. Flori, Chief of the French Police, raising no objection against it. "He ought to know: he was in it," somebody of non-French nationality remarked.

Eventually, the most violent stages of the opposition vanished and the film continued to the end.

Various incidents, however, were met with loud roars and boos, while the finale disappeared in a round of titters and cheap sneers. Towards the end of the film, as things grew quiet, a good many people who had retired to the lobby, returned to their seats. The police remained in the building until the end.

SOLDIERS FINED.

SEQUEL TO CAFE DISTURBANCES.

Privates J. Grant, W. Feoney and J. Hegarty, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, who were charged with being drunk and disorderly and doing damage at the Boston and Prince Cafes in Beaconsfield Arcade, appeared before Major C. Willson, on remand, this morning, when the police stated that the damage caused to the windows was estimated by Mr. Corney, a local glass merchant, at \$145.

Defendants were, on the first charge, each fined \$5, or seven days. On the further charge of smashing the glass, they were each fined an additional \$50, or six weeks' hard labour.

His Worship ordered that compensation to the shops be made from these fines.

P. I. DEMOCRATIC CHOICE.

FAVOURS GOVERNOR SMITH FOR U.S. PRESIDENCY.

ENTHUSIASTIC SCENES.

To the swinging strains of "The Sidewalks of New York," Governor Al Smith carried the Philippine Islands last week, when the Democratic territorial convention at the Manila Hotel, instructed its six delegates to vote for his nomination for President at the Democratic national convention at Houston, Texas, June 28.

The insular convention was overwhelmingly for New York's favourite son and repeatedly interrupted its deliberations to burst into the song that his candidacy made famous at the last national Democratic convention in New York City four years ago.

Philippine Democratic leaders said the islands were the first to elect delegates to the national nominating convention and seemed to think their action would have far-reaching results.

The Platform.

In adopting their platform the Democrats condemned with utmost vigor the Republican administration of national affairs. As a timely feature they denounced the tariff policy which, they claim, is strangling the sugar industry of these islands. They advocated the fostering of the closest economic co-operation between the people of the Philippines, favouring the influx of Americans to further the economic and political advancement of the islands.

The convention, attended by 111 delegates, 55 from Manila and 56 from the various provincial districts, disposed of its work in record time. The orchestra struck into "The Sidewalks of New York" for each delegate and each alternate elected, reverting from that election only while the Star Spangled Banner was played at the convention adjourned.

That the meeting was all for Smith was evidenced by the prolonged cheering when the delegates were instructed to "vote for and use all honourable efforts to secure the nomination of the Honourable Alfred E. Smith, of New York, for the Presidency of the United States so long as his name is before the convention."

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John Harvey, the Welshman, who was sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for desertion from the French Foreign Legion, and was recently pardoned and released from further service, was arrested by the London police in connexion with a charge of leaving his wife and family chargeable to the Poor Law Union. The warrant was issued at the instance of the Bedwelly (Mon.) Guardians. Harvey, whose real name, it is stated, is David Harvey John Young, is to be charged at New Tredegar. He is a native of that town and married an Abertillery girl.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*. Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

1. What district has just preserved the Surrey commons from spoliation?

2. What famous historical correspondence was published in England recently, and with what result does it tell?

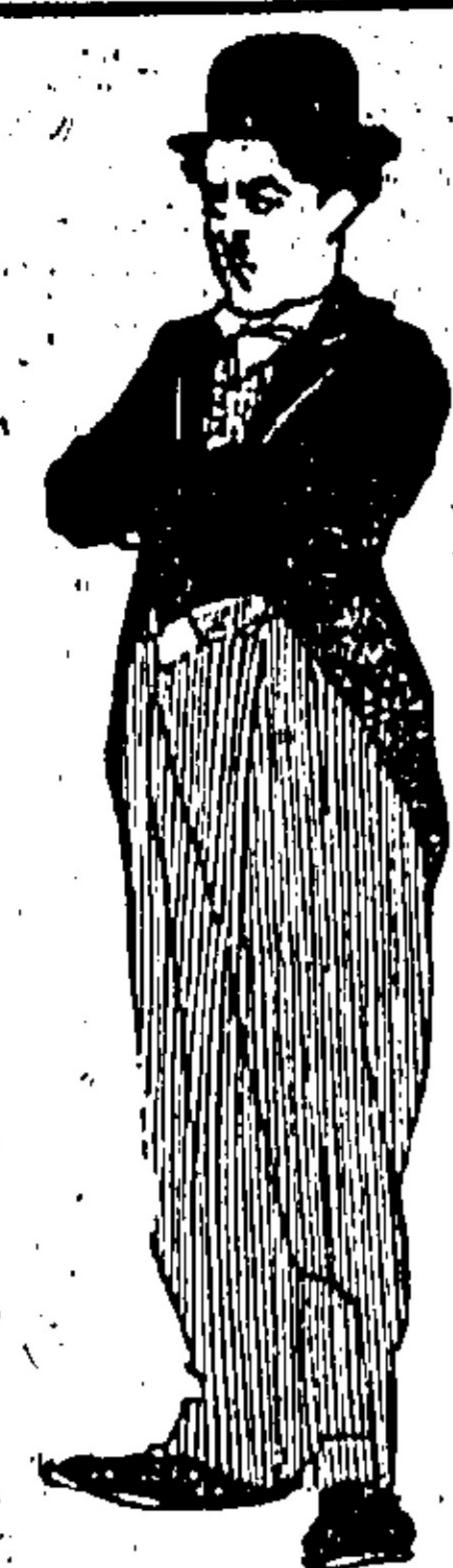
3. What were the "Conversations at Malines"?

4. What is the latest estimated sparrow population of the County of London?

5. To whom is the cathedral now being built in New York to be dedicated?

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OUR FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

PRIZE OF \$50 WEEKLY.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English and Scottish Cup matches (to be played on Saturday next, March 3rd) set out in the Coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided.

The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the Telegraph during the weeks August 20—September 24.

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH' FORECAST COMPETITION.

Matches to be played on March 3rd.

ENGLISH CUP.

Blackburn v Manchester U. N.
Sheffield U. v Notts Forest.
Huddersfield v Tottenham.
Arsenal v Stoke.

SCOTTISH CUP.

Albion Rovers v Rangers.
Motherwell v Celtic.
Queen's Park v Partick.
Dunfermline v Hibernians.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Fulham v Bristol City.
Hull v Chelsea.
Swindon v Millwall.
Plymouth v Northants.

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No. 27 Date

Strike out the teams which you think will lose, but make no marks in respect of matches which you think will be drawn.

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Blackburn	v.	Manchester U. N.
Sheffield U.	v.	Notts Forest.
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Queen's Park	v.	Partick.
Dunfermline	v.	Hibernians.
Fulham	v.	Bristol City.
Hull	v.	Chelsea.
Swindon	v.	Millwall.
Plymouth	v.	Northants.

SHANGHAI BOXING.

STOKER MORRELL'S NARROW WIN.

Fighting a wonderful fight, in which most of the blows intended to put him under landed in comparatively innocent places, Stoker Tom Morrell established himself as the best batter of his class Shanghai has seen for many a long day by defeating K. O. Williams, formidable light-heavyweight from the French Defence Forces, in a thrilling and close main event at the Carlton auditorium last week. Morrell earned a narrow decision to the cheers of the crowd.

The *Shanghai Times* says, Morrell was lucky to obtain the judges' decision. On a general survey of the bout there was very little in it. Morrell landed the greater number of blows; Williams the more damaging blows. As a result there was some dissatisfaction expressed when the decision was announced. The general opinion, however, confirmed the judges' and nothing more was said about it.

HOME FOOTBALL.

STOCKPORT WIN EASILY.

London, Feb. 27.
In the Northern Section of the English League to-day, Stockport County defeated Wrexham by five goals to nothing.—*Reuter*.

STEAMBOAT CO. MEETING.

(Continued from Page 7.)

passenger trade has likewise suffered to some extent. Unfortunately, owing to misunderstandings with the Seamen's Union in Canton, our steamers were picketed and passengers were prevented from embarking or disembarking at our wharves in Canton for a period of seven weeks during the summer, which is reflected in the net earnings of the steamers. I am pleased to say that all misunderstandings were overcome on 6th August.

It is impossible and even dangerous to forecast what the future has in store, but the return to more peaceful conditions in Canton under the present Government is reassuring. An active campaign to suppress brigandage and piracy and measures to overcome the bank note problem in Canton should further restore general confidence and lead to improved trading conditions in the Delta. Given these conditions, we can rely upon our up-to-date and popular steamers getting their full share of cargo and passengers from shippers and supporters.

TRIBUTES.

I cannot close without mentioning the hard work and loyalty on the part of our staff, both foreign and Chinese, ashore and ashore under conditions that have often been trying if not entailing an element of personal risk.

It is with regret that I have to report the death of Captain A. McKinnon, who was well known to most of you, as one of the most popular captains on the Canton run and who only survived to enjoy a very short while in retirement after completing 22 years' service in the Company.

It is fitting here that I should also record our appreciation of the services of our Canton Agents, Messrs. Dencon & Co., Ltd., under the especially trying conditions of the past year.

No further comments appear to be necessary and I therefore propose that the accounts and report as presented be adopted. When this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

Seconder's Speech.

In seconding the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes said:—I have much pleasure in seconding that the report and account as presented be adopted. Shareholders generally will be sure to appreciate the action of the directors in transferring a lakh from Equalization of Dividend Fund and realising a portion of our assets in order to pay off mortgage. While we all regret that no dividend is available for distribution we cannot, in view of the difficult times we have gone through, expect a dividend or be surprised. I, at any rate, feel that your wise policy is justified.

With the Government at present in power in Canton, I feel that we shall enjoy a year of continued progress towards that prosperity which the steamers of this Company formerly enjoyed in Canton and in the delta. We have, however, met with so many surprises and disappointments that we should nevertheless continue a policy of rigid economy both in the working of the steamers and in the office. We must be very sure that we are out of the wood before embarking on any programme of building new ships.

It is very gratifying to learn from the Directors' report of the loyal support of the staff both ashore and ashore and it is to be regretted that no appropriations have been possible for the respective funds.

Our Chairman has modestly refrained from making mention of the arduous work that has fallen on himself and his co-Directors during the past few years. They have, I know, had a great deal to do and have had many difficult and delicate problems to solve; and I think that shareholders owe a gratitude to you, Sir, and the Directors for the manner in which these negotiations have been settled on behalf of shareholders.

The Chairman returned thanks for the appreciation expressed by the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

Business Matters.

On the proposition of Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Cheng Ching-po, Messrs. T. G. Wall and J. M. Alves were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

The Chairman announced that the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. R. M. Austin, Mr. H. Staples Smith, and Mr. J. V. Paterson had resigned their seats on the board on leaving the Colony. Mr. J. V. Paterson, Mr. M. T. Johnson, and Mr. R. K. Batchelor had been invited to join the board and those appointments required confirmation.

The appointments were confirmed, on the proposition of Mr.

OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

LIFE SPAN IS MEASURED BY WORK WE DO.

DOCTORS SOON DIE.

The average man works eight hours, sleeps eight hours, and spends the other eight hours in recreation.

The eight hours of work have much to do with all of the rest of his life. If he occupies a mental position, he is likely to be exposed to cold and wet and unfavourable physical conditions.

If his pay is limited, he is likely to eat an insufficient diet and to have insufficient recreation.

More and more, therefore, scientific medicine is beginning to investigate conditions associated with work as to their effects on health and disease.

The average mortality rate for men of the age of 25 to 65 is fifteen per thousand, but liquor handlers and copper and lead miners have a rate of twenty per thousand, and doctors have a higher rate than either lawyers or ministers.

The high rate for physicians is accredited to the fact that their lives lead them into much overwork and exposure. The disabilities of men also vary according to their occupations.

Actors, architects, bankers, musicians and teachers have rates lower than the average. On the other hand, brokers, travelling salesmen, dentists and restaurant proprietors and tailors have more than the average amount of illness.

The expectation of life at the age of 20 is eight years less for industrial workers than for agricultural, commercial and professional workers.

The death rate from tuberculosis is two to three times higher among industrial workers than in farming, commercial and professional classes. Pneumonia has twice the death rate among industrial workers.

Bottlers are subject to all sorts of unusual hazards and actors keep extremely irregular hours. To the insurance companies, these factors are of great importance because it is necessary they be taken into account in estimating premiums against loss of time from illness or against death.

CHINESE SINGER.



Miss Chee Toy, the noted Chinese singer, who is appearing at all performances in the Queen's Theatre to-day and to-morrow, to sing popular English and Chinese songs. A daughter of the famous magician, Ching Ling-foo, Miss Chee Toy is a star in her own right, "having topped the bill" at the Ziegfeld Follies.

Among the passengers sailing from Hongkong aboard the M. M. General Metzinger to-day is Mr. J. Limage, the local agent of the Messageries Maritimes, who is going home on leave.

At a Lambeth inquest on Rachel Silver, 48, wife of a fishmonger, of Old South Lambeth-road, who committed suicide by coal gas poisoning, it was stated that she had had 20 children. The husband said that she used to have drinking bouts, but when she was sober she was a most devoted wife and mother. The Coroner (Mr. Ingleby Oddie) recorded a verdict of "Suicide While of Unsound Mind."

Greenhill, seconded by Mr. Van Eps.

Mr. Batchelor proposed, and Mr. Lo Kai-hong seconded, that Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews be re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$1,000 each.

The proposition was carried unanimously.

KEEPING OUT THE CRITIC.

ADVICE TO AFFRONTED MANAGERS.

[By Edgar Wallace.]

am not a big man, so my vanity is much more easily hurt than, say, Mr. Winston Churchill's. When I had a failure last year I was ready to quarrel with one who has been a lifelong friend of mine—my life really began when I came into Fleet-street—but happily my long association with professional criminals has brought to me something of their philosophy, and I have learned that one only thing to do in the circumstances is to "go quietly" and to bear no malice towards the policeman who pinches me.

A Losing Fight.

The actor in question should set a better example to his brethren. Year after year we poor scribbling Trotzkys are being banished by these inflexible and managerial Stalins. The quarrel usually lasts about six months, everything is patched up, and the dramatic critic is left with a new embarrassment. For if he is admitted to another show in which the management or the actor is concerned he is confronted with the knowledge that if he says anything unpleasant he will be again excluded, and if he writes something rather kindly he will be regarded by his fellows as being insincere.

We know that the Press of Britain is incorrigible, and, speaking as a journalist, its integrity is a matter for the greatest pride. Nevertheless, newspapers are human, and when you quarrel with a newspaper you are quarrelling with something more final than a woman. They have the last word, and it isn't what they say, but rather what they refrain from saying, that is so punishing. And men who write for their living and are attached to the staffs of important journals are so conscious of the advantage they have that they are more than ever careful to avoid anything that bears the appearance of under comment.

The men who criticise plays for the London Press have not all the same high level of intelligence; but they have in common a wide charity which is never expressed so benevolently as when dealing with faults of acting.

The boycotting of the critic is a very foolish game, almost as foolish as if critics boycotted managements. But since my friend the actor is a man of quick understanding, and is, moreover, a man of generous impulses, I have no doubt that the present situation will be relieved very shortly.

There are many ways of helping the theatre—quarrelling with dramatic critics is not one of them.

Employees who have worked for the Imperial Chemical Industries, Limited, for at least 12 months, are to be allowed to become shareholders in the company. Shares will be acquired by instalments, spread over a period not exceeding 2 years, no interest being charged on the amount outstanding. No employee can acquire shares which will cost him more than 20 per cent. of year's salary, but employees with more than 5 years' service will be allowed to spend an additional one per cent. of their salary for every completed year's service. Employees will be able to secure the shares at a cheaper rate than the public can purchase them on the stock market.

HE WHO RUNS CANNOT READ.

That the newspaper is a better medium for advertising than the poster or hoarding was one of the points made in an address to the Leeds Publicity Club by Mr. W. Buchanan Taylor, publicity manager to J. Lyons and Co., Ltd., the great London catering firm.

Speaking on the mystery of publicity, he said that the newspaper had the advantage over the poster because of its mobility. "Few people," he said, "can run and read, and few people have time to stop to read in these hectic times."

"The newspaper gets among people, whereas you have to make them stop to look at boardings. Unquestionably, the news sheet has won the day."

"The Hongkong Telegraph" is the best Evening Newspaper medium in the Colony.

RATES ON APPLICATION.

FANLING HUNT.

SUNDAY'S POINT TO POINT RACES.

A Point-to-Point meeting in connection with the above Hunt was held on Sunday, close to Mr. Peter Potts' bungalow.

Despite the wet weather, a large number of spectators assembled, and were rewarded by seeing some excellent racing. Almost the whole of the course was visible from a hill near the start, and from this point Colonel Hayley Bell described the course which he and Mr. Bolton had laid. Competitors were pleased to see that Mr. Erskine's system of marking the turning points with large white flags had been adopted, a gentleman having made the Hunt a gift of a dozen of these flags. In both races, competitors ran wide to the left between the third and fourth flags, but there was no chance of anyone taking the wrong course.

The Heavyweight race was run first, and as there were only four riders weighing over 165 lbs., it was decided to send two lady riders with them; instead of with the lightweights. Potts took the lead at once, with the other heavies in close attendance; then Watson forged ahead, shortly to be passed by Macnamara. This order was maintained along the foothills on the far side of the river but Potts took the lead again approaching the second ford. At this point a hill blotted out the view, and Watson must have moved up, as he was the first to reappear, and came along with every chance of winning. Suddenly, however, his pony swerved, and allowed Potts to get the lead again on Craigavon, and keeping well ahead, he won fairly easily with Macnamara and Bayliss second and third respectively. Mrs. Sheldon led Mrs. Chubb at the second last jump, but had the misfortune to take a fall. Luckily she was quite unhurt.

The Lightweights.

Eleven lightweights assembled for the next race, and were sent away in much better order than the heavies, whose start had been rather ragged. Erskine, as is his usual custom, immediately shot to the front, leading the field at such a pace that there was soon a long tail. Erskine, Miller, Morgan, Elliot and Durran were prominent the whole way round, and they came down the bank to the second ford in the order mentioned. The spectators now stood with their eyes glued on the corner where the field would appear next. Morgan had obviously been making the most of his lightweight for he was the first to appear. There were two large jumps still to be negotiated, and his pony did not appear to like the first of these, as he put his toes into the ground in a way which would have sent most people over his head. However, he was persuaded that it wasn't as bad as it looked, but the delay had let Miller get ahead and Erskine was close behind. There now ensued a real set to and fro for moment it appeared to be anyone's race, but Morgan's pony gave way to Erskine on Rupert, who landed over the last jump almost level with Miller on Alhambra, and riding a remarkably fine finish, Erskine won by a neck with a length between Miller and Morgan.

VALLEY GOLF.

THE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The qualifying round of the Junior Section championship was played at Happy Valley on Sunday, when the following sixteen qualified for the match play stages:

J. Linning	92
E. E. Bookar	85
R. Wallace	87
J. McCubbin	87
P. Morrison	89
J. M. McBride	90
A. E. Chairman	91
F. T. James	92
W. McKay	93
A. E. Clarke	93
A. J. W. Dorling	94
C. A. Goldenberg	94
E. Moore	94
W. Pryde	95
G. McLeod	98

Match Play Stages.

The draw for the match play stages has resulted as follows:

A. E. Clarke v. W. McKay.
A. J. W. Dorling v. P. Morrison.
J. McCubbin v. W. Pryde.
F. E. Bookar v. J. Stewart.
R. Wallace v. G. McLeod.
J. M. McBride v. F. T. James.
C. A. Goldenberg v. E. Moore.
J. Linning v. A. E. Chairman.

The first round was to be played on March 11, the second on March 25, the semi-finals on April 8 and the final on April 22. The matches may, if desired, be played earlier by mutual arrangement.

FOOTBALL.

SHIELD MATCH ON H.K.F.C. GROUND.

The second round match in the H.K.F.A. Shield competition will take place during the week between the Hongkong F.C. and the King's Own Scottish Borderers on the Hongkong Football Club ground.

The following matches are down for decision on Wednesday in the United Services competitions on the Sooknupong ground:

Juniors: (kick-off 2 p.m.), H.M.S. Iroquois v. Scots Guards; Seniors: (kick-off 4 p.m.), K.O.S.B.s v. H.M.S. Titania.

gan. Elliot (Shady Joe), and Durran (Drake) were close behind. The winner's time was only 16 minutes, 2 minutes less than the time taken by the heavies.

It is interesting to note that the winner of the heavyweight race, and the first three in the lightweight race, are all Hunt officials.

After the races, all regathered at the Hunter's Arms, where Mrs. Hayley Bell very kindly presented the winners with their cups.

There is no entrance fee for Point to Points, but charge of one dollar is made to cover the expense of building jumps, and hiring a car to take competitors from the Hunter's Arms to the start.—Reuter.

BILLIARDS.

HONGKONG PORTUGUESE TO MEET SHANGHAI.

Arrangements are being made for an Inter-port billiards match between the Portuguese of Shanghai and Hongkong, to be held at the Club Lusitano during the latter half of March.

These contests were first started in 1924, when the home team defeated Shanghai by the narrow margin of 62 points. In 1925, in Shanghai, the decision was reversed, and Hongkong went down to the extent of 129 points.

No competitions were held in 1926 and 1927 owing to disturbed conditions. Both teams are very keen on winning the "rubber" and are hard at practice, and some first-class billiards can be expected.

The teams have not yet been selected, but Hongkong is assured of a strong combination in the Osmond brothers, Yvanovich, E. da Roza, the Luz cousins, etc. Shanghai's team will probably be piloted by their star cueist Mr. Campe (who defeated Osmond in 1924), supported by the veteran "Jerry" Remedios, P. Baradas the Shanghai Junior champion, and Gomes, a strong contender for title honours in the Northern port.

Navy v. Warders.

The billiard match between the Navy Team and that of the Warders, who are the Champions of the Colony, played last night at the C.P.O.V. Club, Naval Yard, resulted in a win for the former by the narrow margin of three points. Navy scores were as follows:

S. B. P. O. Byrne	150
E. H. A. Davis	150
E. A. Reade	157
O. D. O. Light	150
C. E. H. A. Preedy	150
Totals	786

SOUND ADVICE.

BEWARE OF SOVIET.

New Delhi, Feb. 27.

At the conclusion of his official tour representing the British Trade Union movement Mr. A. A. Purcell, member of Parliament, who was formerly regarded as a Sovietophile, addressed the Council of the All-India Trade Union Congress and said that Russian organisations were consistently interfering with the work of other national movements. It was time they fell out with the Russian movement and fell in with the rest of the world.—Reuter.

HINKLER'S FLIGHT.

Journey Completed.

Sydney, Feb. 27.

Captain Hinkler landed in his home town, Bundaberg, at 4.15 this morning, completing his flight from London.—Reuter.

POLICE RESERVE.

LATE ADJUTANT ENTERTAINS THE FORCE.

A large portion of the Hongkong Police Reserve was entertained by Commander G. B. Hartford, at the Hotel Savoy yesterday afternoon, when the officers and subordinate officers of the Force took the opportunity to present their host with a silver bowl and two framed photographs of the Reservists.

Among those present were the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent of Police), Mr. L. H. C. Cathrop, (the new Adjutant of the Reserve), Dr. S. W. Tso, and Mr. Bishen Singh (Honorary Commissioners), Dr. E. R. Dovey, Mr. F. C. Mowfng, Dr. G. H. Thomas (Assistant Superintendent of the Police Reserve), Inspector Paterson and Staff Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

Commander Hartford expressed pleasure in being given such an opportunity to meet the Reservists. He congratulated their chief, the Hon. Mr. Wolfe, on his well-merited and well-earned decoration. In Mr. Wolfe the Force had the guidance of an expert and a man of experience.

On behalf of the Force, Commander Hartford thanked all those who had been responsible for the efficiency of the Reservists. It must be a source of great pride and satisfaction to them, he added, to see the results that had been achieved in so short a time. Commander Hartford also thanked all the subordinate officers for their loyal support.

Policeman's Duty.

Continuing Commander Hartford spoke of the duties of the Reservists, remarking that a Police officer should be looked upon as a friend. He referred to the officer who was always a nuisance and sometimes rude to the public. The Police Reserve was still in its infancy but the speaker was sure that it had a great future.

Before concluding Commander Hartford said that although he did not expect to return to the Colony, he thought that he would probably come back again. There seemed to be an extraordinary call about Hongkong.

On behalf of the assembly, the Hon. Mr. Wolfe thanked Commander Hartford for arranging the farewell tea. Proceeding Mr. Wolfe eulogised the work of the late Adjutant and spoke of the manner in which he had come forward to reorganise the Police Reserves.

Continuing Mr. Wolfe referred to the usefulness of an efficiently trained squad in time of crisis.

The regular Police were thus relieved of a great burden.

"We have a beginning, and very fine beginning, of a permanent force such as it was during the War," remarked the speaker.

Mr. Wolfe expressed thanks to the leaders of the various companies and to all who had voluntarily come forward and given up their time for the Force.

In conclusion the Captain Superintendent of Police wished Commander Hartford health and happiness in the old country.

Dr. Tso on behalf of the Commissioners thanked Commander Hartford for inviting the Reservists to tea. During the course of an intimate talk Dr. Tso appealed to the Captain Superintendent of Police to use the Reserves more prominently so as to show the public the useful work they were doing.

Mr. Bishen Singh spoke on behalf of the Indian Company.

The Captain Superintendent of Police then made the presentation, Commander Hartford suitably replying.

SOVIET PLOT.

CONSPIRACY TO OVERTHROW POLAND REGIME.

Warsaw, Feb. 27.

Over two thousand witnesses were called for the prosecution in the trial of fifty-six persons alleged to be members of a White Ruthenian Communist organisation, known as the Hromada. They were charged with conspiring to overthrow the present regime in Poland and also to forcibly detach for the benefit of Soviet Russia a part of Poland inhabited by White Ruthenians. Four former members of the Diet are among the accused. The prosecution alleges the Soviet largely financed the conspirators.—Reuter.

THE LUXURY TAX.

THREE LEGATIONS RAISE A PROTEST.

Peking, Feb. 27.

The British, American and Japanese Legations have protested to the Walchiao-pu regarding the proposed luxury tax on consumers in Peking, pointing out the ill effects the tax would have on trade and the illegality thereof.—Reuter.

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WITH THE STARS AT HOLLYWOOD.

CANOE RACING AT LAS TURAS LAKE.

Time has suddenly been turned back a hundred years or more at Las-Turas Lake, a beautiful little lake only a few hours from Hollywood.

The entire lake is dotted with more than a hundred birch bark canoes filled with north woods trappers and Indians. The reason for the nineteenth century atmosphere is that an entire movie company has moved in to make some scenes for "Rose Marie."

This spot is supposed to be in the Canadian north woods. And when the scenes taken here are shown on the screen, no one will ever be able to distinguish the difference.

The Big Canoe Race.

The big scene being shot here will be a canoe race. That race will be one of the high spots in the picture. It was a race among trappers returning to the village and a real village had been built on the shores of the lake.

Of course James Murray, the leading man, would win—it was written in the script that way and no one gave that part of it a thought. But something went wrong. Big crowds like those up here are usually given their instructions by radio through loud speakers. The canoe race was managed by bugle calls instead.

By the time the race was half finished many of the paddlers actually were trying to beat Murray. They became so excited that they paid absolutely no heed to the bugle signals. However, Murray, who had an expert canoe paddling with him, managed to edge in a few feet ahead of the others. And it's a good thing he did—or the entire scene would have had to be shot over again.

As he climbed the bank after his near defeat in a race that was a cinch for him to win, Murray panted:

"I almost weakened at the last moment. I wanted to slow down a little and be content with finishing second or third. I still think that it would have been a smart move. Lucian Hubbard, the producer, was in that canoe that almost beat me. I suppose I'm in for it now, even if the script did call for me to win. Merely leading men should never beat their producers at anything."

Joan Has a Job.

And here's another bit of advance news that is going to surprise Hollywood when the troupe goes back to civilized living again. Joan Crawford is letting her hair grow. She has wanted long hair for some time but her last four or five pictures have all demanded a pert bob.

She's wearing a wig now and is taking this opportunity of allowing her hair to grow. And when she returns to the movie village, she is going to have the job of convincing Irving Thalberg that she is equally as becoming with unshorn locks.

CANADIAN FOODS.

OTHER MARKETS MORE ATTRACTIVE THAN BRITAIN

After inspecting Smithfield and Spitalfields markets, attending a reception by the Lord Mayor at the Mansion House, and lunching at the Guildhall, the seventy Canadian farmers who are at present visiting London, went to the London Chamber of Commerce, where they were told sorrowfully by four members, one after another that Canada was losing the British market.

"We often ask ourselves when we consider our butter imports," said Mr. James Gillanders, "where is Canada? Last year you only supplied us with 820 tons. New Zealand is capturing our cheese market from you."

"Canadian bacon represented last year only seven per cent. of our total importation," said Mr. Sheed. "Denmark has the premier place in our bacon market. Yet Canadian bacon is good and Canadian packers have nothing to learn from the Continental methods."

Mr. Arkell, a prominent member of the Canadian party made an unanswerable reply: "Our difficulty at the moment," he said, "is not that we cannot send commodities to the Mother Country. It is that other markets are more attractive. Of course we should like to deal as much as possible with the Mother Country, but I suppose we are a little material in our outlook, and at present we simply cannot afford to."

Wellington, Jan. 27.—The Government has decided to subsidise the export of pork to Britain to the extent of £20,000 in the form of refund on freight of a half-penny a pound on pigs weighing from 61lb to 80 lb for nine months of this year, and probably another two seasons.

HEREFORD CATHEDRAL MOVING.

SEVERAL CRACKS IN THE FABRIC.

Hereford, Jan. 27.

The condition of the structure of Hereford Cathedral seems to be even more perilous than was at first believed. The message of the Special Correspondent of the *Morning Post* drawing attention to the state of the south-eastern transept has aroused great interest here, and experts now express the alarming opinion that the actual foundation of the building requires immediate attention.

A prominent local architect contends that it is quite possible that the gravel soil of the foundation has for many years been slowly draining into the bed of the River Wye.

"There is no doubt that some portion of the Cathedral has moved," he said. "Some time ago, when I was inspecting the Orthocathedral, I was surprised to see that several cracks had appeared in the fabric at the north-west corner. It occurred to me that these cracks might have been caused by the earthquake which occurred several years ago and which undoubtedly shook the whole building."

"But it is more likely that the subsidence of the foundation have been caused, and are still being caused, by the slow draining of the gravel. The *Morning Post* statement that the tower of the Cathedral is in a perilous condition does not surprise me, in view of what I believe to be occurring to the foundations themselves."

Another local architect stated to-day: "For many years I have been dubious concerning the original foundations of the Cathedral, believing that they were of insufficient depth adequately to support the edifice. The majority of our ancient buildings have inadequate foundations owing mainly to the fact that structural additions are made out of all proportion to the original builder's plans."

"There is no doubt that in the last six months the condition of the Cathedral has become much more serious, and this I believe to be due to the abnormally wet summer. The rain has percolated through the clay foundations, which are now drying and very possibly cracking, and a serious subsidence will follow unless measures are taken."

TITLE AS TRADEMARK.

BRANDY'S RIGHT TO DUCAL NAME DENIED.

Paris, Jan. 26:

The French Courts have just been asked to decide who has the right to bear the title Due de Montebello, a young man of 21, Napoleon John Jules Lannes, or a special brandy.

The owner of the distillery, Vaillant, declared that the fifth Due de Montebello, Charles Louis Marie Lannes, had ceded to him in 1919 the "exclusive right of using his title of nobility in order to patent them as a trade mark for the designation of cognac." He further declared that the young man, who has won the right to the title, belonged to a collateral branch, and could not legally bear the name.

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Quick Cure of Flu.

Mr. W. D. Chastine of 521, 14th Street, Modesto, says: "I was attacked with a severe cold and had fever and chills, headaches and aches and pains all over. I had what all others and doctors called Flu. I felt so bad I had to go to bed. Instead of sending for a physician I sent for some herbs from Poo On Chinese Herbs Co. After the first package I was considerably better; after the second package I felt normal; and after the third package I was back at work again. When I first took down with the trouble I knew of seven others who had the same trouble and they were treated by physicians. I was the first one back at the job and I felt as well as ever."

Five in One Family.

Mr. J. F. Cramer, wife and three children of 431, Virginia Avenue, Modesto, Cal., U.S.A., suffered with influenza and bronchial pneumonia. Neighbours all said they

had the same complaint. Mr. Cramer's testi-
monial, near Modesto, California, many follows:—"My boy David, 14, gave the following statement in years old, took down with fever, chills and aches all over the body. "About eight years ago while I was sick in my stomach, I had heard of the Poo On Chinese Herbs. I had a fever and chills all over. I had a severe stroke of paralysis. I was doctor-
ed by six physicians and all said that there was no cure for me, as they had done all they could for me, and I was in a hopeless condition. I then tried the herbs from Poo On Herbs Co. speedily recovered.

My two girls, Neola and Mildred also had what they called the Flu. One took only one package of herbs and the other took two. They were also speedily cured. I myself had the same complaint. I took some herbs and I neither had to stay in bed nor suffer any bad effects.

While my wife was sick a neighbour of ours called on us and told us to get a physician. I knew the herbs had cured my boy fast and I did not want to try anything else. A few days ago the same woman who told me to get a physician took down with the same trouble we had. Physicians called it the flu, and she was put in quarantine. She was treated by physicians, but a few days ago she died. She had been an expert flu nurse in our neighbourhood—*Modesto Herald*, January 5, 1919.

Thousands suffering from catarrh,

THE VANISHING VENGEANCE

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"Green Ladies," &c.

CHAPTER XXIV.

Otto Rigg sat bowed in his chair, his great hands stretched out on his desk, his fists clenching and unclenching. His eyes stared at Martin Stannard, hate and fear in them. Strachan was perched nervously on the edge of his chair, glancing at Otto as if for some order. Joyce drew up a small table and placed upon it a pad, upon which she intended to take a short-hand note of all that transpired—Martin had asked her to. Martin took from his pocket a sheaf of papers.

As he smoothed them in his hand, Mainwaring suddenly stood up, approaching Otto. "Pistol, please. It is the law speaking." As Otto hesitated, he ran a swift hand over Otto's big person and the hand came away with a service revolver.

He performed the same office over the reticent Strachan, taking from him his big automatic. He examined both these pistols with interest, and, after unloading them, held the cartridges in the palm of his hand, scrutinising them. Then he pocketed everything, sat back with a smile, and said, "Go on, Mr. Stannard."

Stannard looked at his papers, glanced up: "You know why I've got you pinned at last."

"Blackmail," snarled Otto Rigg, with a flash of his old arrogance. "I knew it was blackmail. You tried to blackmail the others. . . . And you," turning to Mainwaring, "are an officer of the law, countenancing, nay, supporting such blackguardism."

"Be of good heart, Otto," smiled Mainwaring. "At the first hint of blackmail I can arrest Stannard here without warrant."

Otto Rigg decided on a bold stroke. He reached for his telephone. "I'll not stand this," he snapped. "I'll telephone Scotland Yard. They'll stop this blackmail."

"While you are telling Scotland Yard, Otto Rigg," said Martin, evenly, "inform them that the basis of the blackmail is a certain deal in Algoma Stock."

The effect of that name on Otto Rigg was startling. He half rose out of his chair, his hands flew to his throat, and he seemed to be choking. In a minute he slumped back in his chair again, and sat there absolutely collapsed, his mouth loose, his eyes wild, staring, and hopeless.

"You see, Otto Rigg, I know, this is not blackmail, or anything else. It is your crime come home to roost. It is retribution."

He paused for a minute.

"To have this in order in the shorthand note I will begin with the formation of Consolidated Exploitations. The Public Trustee has the full details of the inception of that company. All I need say is that Otto Rigg was chairman of directors; Hugo Shantz the managing director; Fedden, Maker, and Gamlin directors; and myself secretary with a directorship. I was the youngest, and simplest, of the Board. I was an outsider. I had a reputation as a clever manipulator of finance, a reputation which Otto Rigg and his brother directors assiduously spread.

"Consolidated Exploitations had been in being some time, and all the shares of its two-million-pound capital had been paid up, when the Directors began sending me about here, there, and everywhere, on the Continent and in this country, on the company's business. It was on my return from one of these journeys that I learnt that one of our book-keepers—a Miss Annie Purvis—had been sent to prison for stealing and altering the books. I was rather surprised, and very sorry, for I had thought Miss Purvis an honest and intelligent, even a conscientious girl. My brother directors, however, were able to prove, with regret in their voices, that there was no doubt about the girl's guilt—hypocrisy was always the strong suit of Otto Rigg and Company."

The words were spoken bitterly, scornfully. Otto Rigg stirred under the lash of them, but did not speak. Martin went on:

"If I had only not trusted my fellow directors—if I had only gone into that matter carefully, I should have found out that the girl was innocent, that her one crime was honesty—that, coupled with the fact that she knew too much of the dishonesty of my brother directors, and was threatening to expose them."

"That's a lie!" snarled Otto Rigg. "It is the truth," said Martin coldly. "I found a note in Hugo Shantz's diary, which sets all doubts at rest. Annie Purvis found that Hugo was tampering with the company's books. She was silenced by a countercharge, and clapped into prison, where she would remain

found, as I had expected, that though every one connected with Consolidated Exploitations had been ruling, the five directors—not the shareholders, but the five directors only—were surprisingly rich. Pluck and keen business acumen, the world called it. But I knew the real reason, their thefts from Consolidated Exploitations had made them rich."

"It's a lie—prove it!" mumbled Otto.

"I set to work to prove it. I studied the whole case. Disguised I was able to look at the files and records in the Public Trustee's office. I studied the lives of these men, found out their investments, and traced them back to Algoma Stock. That is the root, that is why Otto Rigg flinches at the sound of the name."

"When I had studied the situation as far as I could I came down here. I had to complete my case against them; I had, above all, to build up a case to clear myself. Here, in Greenhale, when I had completed my hiding-place, I studied the habits of these men, so that I could be certain of approaching them and tackling them."

"Seward Gamlin was the first, weakest, the most easily frightened. My case, not too strong, was strong enough for him. He became panic-stricken. He did what I demanded, he supplied me with facts, and could not prevent me taking his papers. It was no part of my plan to make him commit suicide. That he committed suicide I cannot even deplore. He was a partner in a vile and cruel conspiracy to defraud a number of trusting people. He caused untold misery among those who had lost all through a callous thief. No, I cannot deplore his death."

"His confession and papers strengthened my hand enormously. I was able to put before Henry Maker facts that were absolutely damning. You know how he acted. Maker's papers added strength to my case. So did Fedden's, so did Hugo Shantz's, so that now I have my dual case complete, Otto Rigg, the case which shows me completely innocent, the case which condemns Otto Rigg, as the prime mover of one of the vilest and most heartless conspiracies that the human mind ever stooped to. Listen."

Martin Stannard then began to dictate to Joyce detail by detail the whole process of the gigantic fraud, from the moment the first great sum of money was taken from the company, apparently by Martin Stannard, but in reality by Otto Rigg and the other directors, and invested, in the name they intended, Martin Stannard to assume, in South American securities. It was a long, brilliant, and intricate process. As the structure of duplicity grew up to the point when all the threads were gathered together again in reinvestment of half a score of amounts of the stolen money in Algoma Stock, the guilt of Otto Rigg and his co-directors was ruthlessly and finally manifest.

Otto Rigg saw it, he shifted and trembled under it. And then in a wild cry of fear and rage, he cried, "Stop—stop—"

Martin stopped and stared at him, they all stared at him. He recovered his nerves and wits with a great effort.

"A pretty tissue of lies!" he shouted. "A very pretty display by a scoundrel trying to save his neck. . . . Yes, his neck. The effort of a murderer to obscure his crime. . . . A murderer. The murderer of that poor man Dudley, whom you ought to have arrested."

MORE TROOPS FOR HOME.

UNITS LEAVING SHANGHAI TO-DAY.

Bronzing of no battle honours, attracting no tumultuous public acclaim by impressive marches through the streets of Shanghai are a group of British soldiers who will leave on the troopship City of Marseilles, which will sail from Shanghai to-day, February 28.

Yet, these men have occupied key positions in the British military organization which has defended Shanghai, and, moreover, most of them were volunteers for the job of helping to defend this cosmopolitan city, says the Shanghai Times.

The men leaving on this steamer, "time-expired men," are proceeding to England, either to rejoin their regiments, or to receive their discharge. All these men are attached to the Command headquarters and were detailed to Shanghai on special duty with that part of a military organization, which is absolutely indispensable, but rarely strays into the limelight.

The details going Home include men from the following units: 8th Hussars, 11th Hussars, 1st Queen's Royal Regiment, 1st Royal Warwickshires, 1st Suffolks, 2nd Beds, and Herts., 2nd Leicestershires, 1st Lancashires, 1st Essex, 1st King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, and the 2nd Rifle Brigade.

The men were selected from the eastern command, at the beginning of the emergency which started last year, for special duties at Headquarters, Shanghai, and they are, in most cases, volunteers. The main party travelled out as far as Hongkong with the Coldstream Guards, where they transhipped on the Kurnali and arrived in Shanghai at the beginning of March, a few days before the Guards arrived.

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LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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Mr. Mainwaring . . . whom I command you to arrest now—now!

Otto Rigg was making his last effort to stop Martin Stannard's mouth.

(To be continued.)

THE HOUSEBREAKER'S JOB.

AN INTERESTING OCCUPATION.

The sight of workmen busily engaged on the demolition of a building always has a great fascination to the onlooker. As the work is of a very dangerous nature, it is surprising how rarely an accident occurs.

The men employed on the wall itself are called "Mattock men," on account of the tool they use, which is like a pick-axe, being somewhat smaller, and with both ends chisel shaped, enabling them to cut away the bricks from the wall in a fairly clean line, without breaking them. As old bricks fetch nearly as good a price as new, they are instructed to work with care.

All fittings, such as doors, fireplaces, &c., have to be removed carefully, as they are all saleable. Should they be of old design the price paid for them is often considerable.

Great regard is paid to the safety of the general public on this kind of work. Hoardings and "fans" are erected to prevent any debris from falling on to the heads of passers by. The foreman in charge has to use great discretion as to which way he will commence the "pulling down," as a collapse in the structure would be a serious matter. Therefore, when possible, the top floor is taken first, and so the building is worked to ground level.

When only the skeleton of the building remains the girders are cut away, thus leaving a vacant space for a new erection. Should there be premises on either side these must be "shored" up with heavy timber before the contractor leaves; thereby ensuring their safety, as by taking away one building from among a block of others the supports are often weakened in the foundations.

Many curious finds are made on these jobs, especially if the building is an old one. Coins which have slipped between the floorboards, old-fashioned candlesticks, secret closets, wall safes, &c., all of which have their own particular values to the dealers who follow the workmen from job to job. During excavation of the basement bones are sometimes found; should any of these prove to be human this means a delay in the work, as the job has to be closed down while an inquest is being held upon them.

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Letters of administration have been granted to Mr. Arthur Keeling, of Newsquare, Lincoln's Inn, solicitor, attorney for King Albert of Belgium, her nephew, one of the persons entitled to share in the estate.

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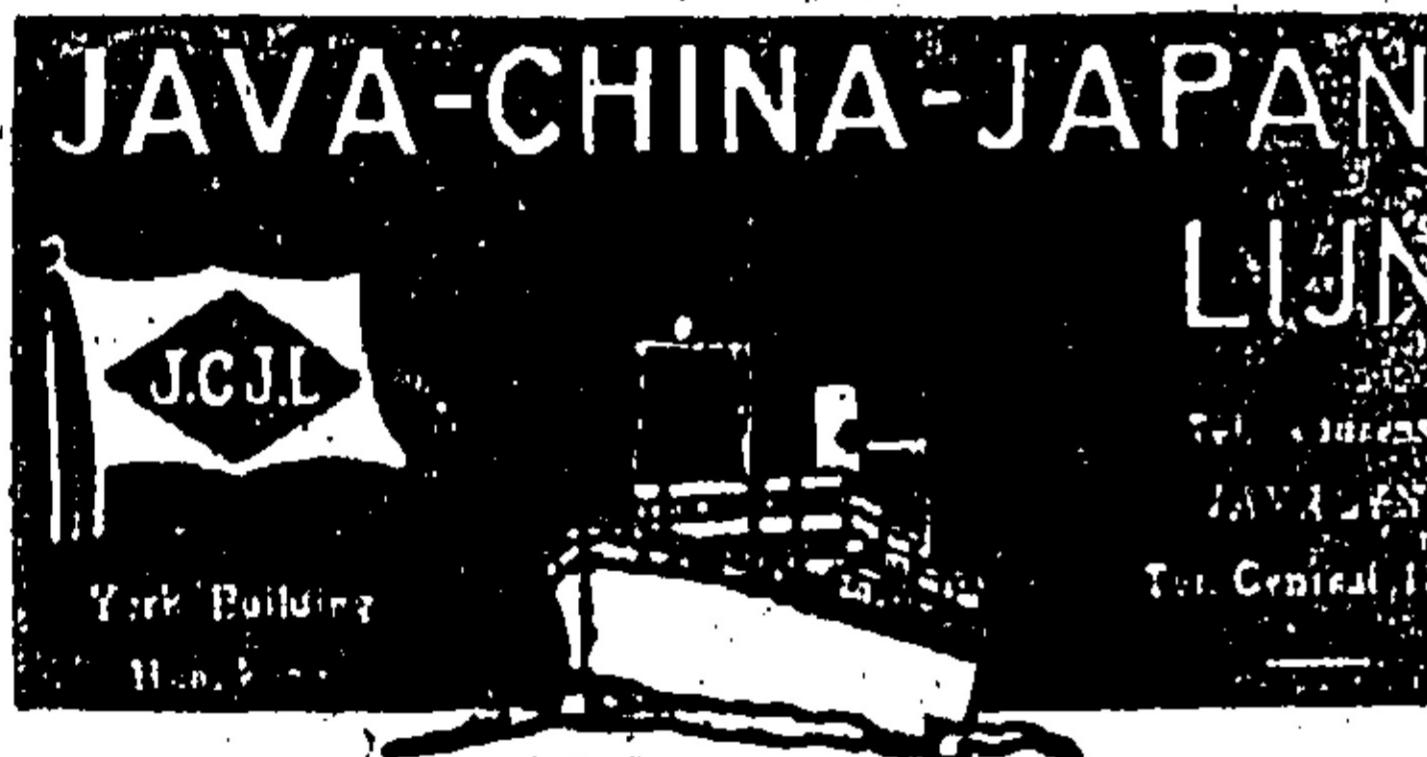


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FASCIST DEPUTY'S BIRTH DAY DIATRIBE.

Berlin, Jan. 26. Berlin kiosks to-day showed a placard bearing the motto, "Hail to thee. Oh, Kaiser!"

To-morrow is the ex-Kaiser's sixty-ninth birthday, and Herr Kube, a "Fascist" member of the Reichstag, announced meeting of celebration for the evening in terms of bitter irony.

"The Republic," he says in his placard, is not at all a bad place to live in especially if you have a

good account at the bank and intimate relations with Socialist ex-Chancellors. We are quit of the Kaiser, and now the real friends of the people have taken its fate into their hands.

"Somebody has got to be king, and they have made the American banker, Parker Gilbert, Kaiser of the German labour colony. We pay two and a half millions a year scutage to the princes of the stock exchange. Come, oppressed people, and show your exploiters how fond you are of your new constitution."

Meantime, the Kreuz Zeitung denounces the "I" that the Kaiser deserted his people.

COMMUNIST DENY

EIGHT MEN CHARGED.

As a result of a police raid on No. 2 Percival Street on February 11, eight Chinese appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday afternoon, charged with being in possession of a bomb, without the permission of the Captain Superintendent of Police. The defendants were alternatively charged with being in possession of a tin canister packed with earth and gravel, which was charged with three sticks of dynamite, fitted with fuse and detonators, the explosion of which was likely to cause serious injuries and damage to property.

Describing the raid, a Chinese detective said that at 7.30 p.m. on February 11 Sergeant D. Fitches and a number of detectives proceeded to No. 2 Percival Street. The Police party hid on the landing while witness knocked at the door. A slit in the door was pushed aside and a voice enquired what the detective wanted. Witness replied that he was looking for certain Lau Hin, a fictitious name. The answer was not satisfactory and the detective was told that there was no such person on the premises. The slit on the door was closed and no attempt was made to open the door.

The witness again knocked at the door and this time stated that he wanted to enter the premises on a business matter. This caused a stampede inside the premises, whereupon the witness, having failed to get the occupants to open the door entered the adjoining empty flat, the door of which was opposite that of No. 2, on the same landing.

The witness was followed into No. 4 by several other police officers. On entering they found several men on the veranda. Sergeant Fitches, who gave evidence, said that he actually saw two men climbing across to No. 4 from the veranda of No. 2.

Arms Discovered.

The Chinese detective, who was the first to enter No. 4, with revolver drawn in readiness climbed across the veranda to No. 2. There he met a man in the front room and two others in the passage. Covering these men with his firearm, the detective opened the door and admitted the waiting police into house No. 2.

The men caught in both houses were handcuffed and a systematic search of No. 2 was carried out. Two rattan baskets were found by the police, one of which contained a printing machine, while the other contained a number of pamphlets, including the Red Flag, a small booklet. Formulae relative to the manufacture of explosives were also discovered.

One of the defendants was defended by Mr. Horace Lo, who, having received his instructions yesterday afternoon, was not in a position to cross-examine the witnesses. At his request, his Worship permitted the cross-examination to take place at the next hearing, which will be at 2.15 p.m. this afternoon.

Among other things found in the house was a bomb wrapped in Chinese newspaper, which, according to the Government Analyst, Mr. E. R. Dovey, was a dynamite bomb. Other finds unearthed by the police included two knives, described as bushman's knife, which resembled a dag-

TRUCULENT INDIAN.

BOUNDED OVER TO BEHAVE.

Mr. D. S. Das, the Indian interpreter of the Kowloon Magistracy, prosecuted a fellow countryman before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday afternoon, charged with being in possession of a bomb, without the permission of the Captain Superintendent of Police. The defendants were alternatively charged with being in possession of a tin canister packed with earth and gravel, which was charged with three sticks of dynamite, fitted with fuse and detonators, the explosion of which was likely to cause serious injuries and damage to property.

It appeared from the evidence that the defendant, who is a store keeper, was fined \$5 last week for disorderly conduct at the Austin Road Market, and after the proceedings in Court he went to the Magistrate's office where he began to complain of the injustice of the sentence. He was said to have created a scene in the office and abused the Magistrate as well as the Police.

Mr. D. ordered the man to leave the premises but instead the defendant is alleged to have sworn at the Indian interpreter.

The defendant, in court denied the allegations of the prosecution, but after hearing the evidence his Worship bound the defendant over on a personal bond for his future good behaviour.

WRIGHT BIPLANE.

ORIGINAL MACHINE GOES TO ENGLAND.

Washington, Feb. 27.

A dispute with the Smithsonian Institution responsible for the decision of Mr. Orville Wright to send the original Wright biplane to the British Museum.

A widely reproduced magazine article alleges that the Smithsonian officials are conducting a subtle campaign to give the credit for the Wright Brothers' aero-dynamic discoveries to the late Professor Langley, ex-secretary of the institution. The article says that Mr. Wright expresses the belief that the machine will be impartially judged and receive due credit in the British Museum.—Reuter's American Service.

ger, and, according to one police witness, could be used as such.

A number of interesting chaps were also seized. One of them gave the imprint of a dagger stuck through a human skull. One purported to be the shop of the Chinese Seamen's Union Maintenance Committee and a second one bore the Chinese characters representing The Volunteer Corps of the Seamen's Union of Hongkong, Kongmou and Macao.

Sergeant Fitches in his evidence stated that in the charge room one of the arrested men dumped his fountain pen and four pieces of paper which when examined were found to be enrolment forms of the Communists.

One of the defendants was defended by Mr. Horace Lo, who, having received his instructions yesterday afternoon, was not in a position to cross-examine the witnesses. At his request, his Worship permitted the cross-examination to take place at the next hearing, which will be at 2.15 p.m. this afternoon.

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CHINA MERCHANTS.

SHAREHOLDERS' DEMANDS FOR REFORMS:

Shanghai Chinese papers last week contained a message which was purposed to have been issued by the Minister of Communications of the Nationalist Government, in his capacity as official supervisor of the China Merchants' S.N. Co., in connection with the demands of certain shareholders for reforms.

The petition contained very strong statements as to supposed mismanagement of the company's affairs, and the shareholders asked that the Government should cause an investigation to be made and reforms introduced. The petitioners stated that, although the committee appointed by the government to reorganize the company had been in existence for over a year, no definite action had been taken, and they alleged that matters had gone from bad to worse.

It was alleged that few of the larger shareholders had seized all of the company's rights and sold China's shipping interests. The directors are said to have committed numerous abuses and to have kept to themselves the company's profits while, since the Great War, had exceeded \$100,000,000.

In the message referred to above the Minister of Communications is reported to have ordered the complete reorganization of the company. Action in this connexion could be delayed no longer. The aim of the Supervisory Committee, of which he was chairman, desired to protect China's shipping rights, especially, he says, as the company is on the verge of bankruptcy. The time was critical and, if energetic and immediate action were not taken there was no hope whatever for the company's recovery. The government simply desired to protect the interests of the shareholders and uphold China's shipping rights. It had no further concern in the matter. Should any directors in the past have assumed their responsibilities, but made mistakes, they would be pardoned and it was hoped that they would mend their ways. It was hoped that all would act in accordance with the orders of the government so that the company could be saved. Shareholders should submit ideas with reference to reform and take part in the forthcoming election of directors.

NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

REDUCTIONS & ADDITIONS.

It has been gathered from official sources that a number of changes in the China Squadron will take place during the next few months, the outstanding features of which are the departure of H. M. Ships Argus and Vindictive, and the arrival on the station of H. M. Ships Cumberland and Berwick.

The sloop Hollyhock will sail for the United Kingdom on March 7, being relieved by H. M. S. Cornflower from Home on March 4. H. M. S. Hermes, already en route Home after refit, should arrive here on or about March 19, being preceded by H. M. S. Cumberland, one of the new class of County cruisers on March 12.

H. M. S. Vindictive will sail for England from Hongkong on March 14 and will be followed by H. M. S. Argus six days later. The departure of H. M. S. Ambrose and six Submarines, as already announced, is scheduled for March 26, while the Leader Kepel, and Third Destroyer Flotilla will probably depart hence on May 1.

A further announcement has been made that H. M. S. Concord, with reliefs for units of the Chain Squadron, left Portsmouth on February 22 and will be due here in early April, while H. M. S. Berwick, the second of the new cruisers, will leave England on March 3 and will arrive in Hongkong on April 21.

H. M. S. Cornflower is one of the Heracles' Royal class of sloop of 1,250 tons and armed with two 4 inch guns. She has been recommissioned from the Nore Reserve.

H. M. S. Berwick and H. M. S. Cumberland are newly built cruisers of the County class, both commissioned during the past few months. These vessels carry eight 6 inch guns as primary armament, with other weapons of smaller calibre. Captain R. S. Wyke-Smyth, D. S. O., is in command of H. M. S. Berwick and Captain A. L. Snaggs of H. M. S. Cumberland. The Third Flotilla consists H. M. S. Kepel (Leader), H. M. Ships Verity, Veteran, Wanderer, Withering, Wishart, Wild Swan, Wolverine.

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BALKAN DISPUTE.

MUSSOLINI ACCUSED OF RAISING TROUBLE.

Paris, Feb. 27.

The newspapers are closely watching the Austro-Italian dispute which the People accuses M. Mussolini of trumping up in order to distract attention from an incident into which the League of Nations is at present enquiring, namely the smuggled machine-guns parts recently discovered on the Austro-Hungarian frontier, allegedly consigned from Italy to Hungary.

Volonte, however, says that M. Mussolini will not succeed in the attempt but will find now that he will have two troublesome affairs on his hands instead of one.

On the contrary Gaulois sees in the Austrian protests the hidden influence of Germany working for an Austro-German union.—Reuter.

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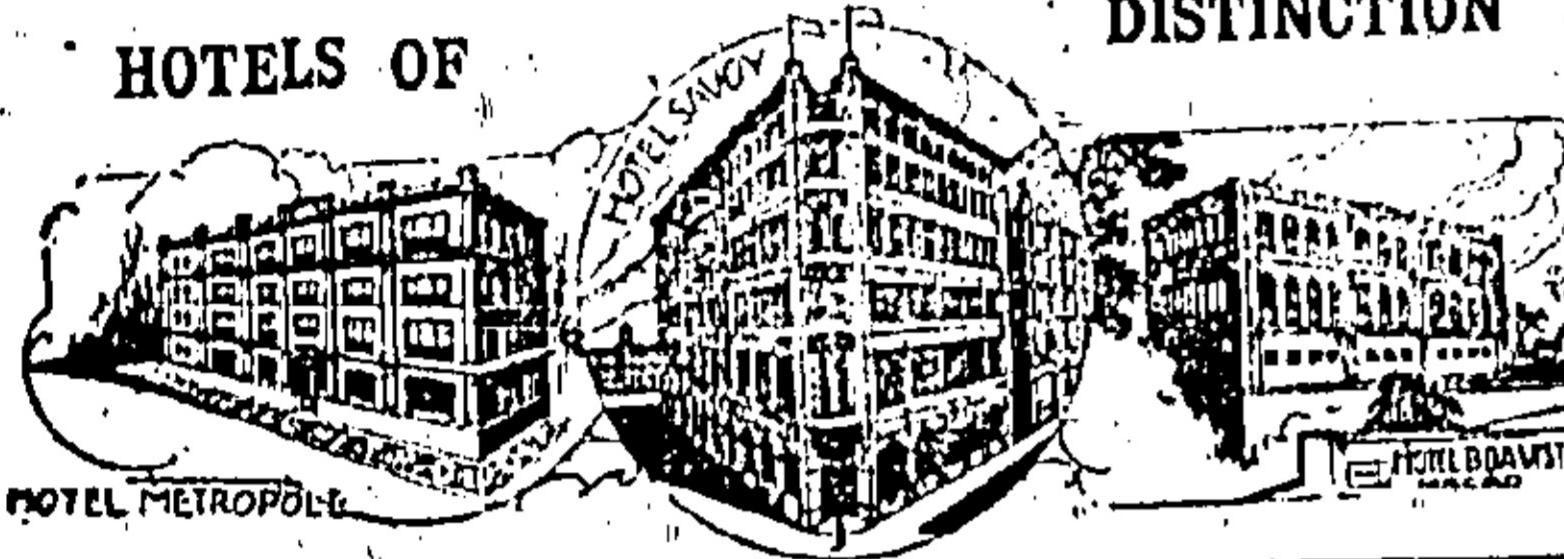
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at 1 and 3, Wyndham-Street, in the City of Victoria, Hongkong.**PEACE IN COTTON INDUSTRY.****EARNEST ATTEMPTS TO REACH COMPROMISE.****REASONS FOR CRISIS.**

London, Feb. 27. The joint conference of the cotton employers and the operatives leaders held at Manchester to-day, after a discussion lasting for over four hours, adjourned until Monday next without coming to a decision.

An official statement issued states that the representatives of the operatives handed the employers a note, expressing regret that the latter were not in favour of the establishment of a Statutory Committee to enquire into the position of the interest.

The note also declared that neither the wages paid nor the 48-hour week were causes of the unsatisfactory state of the industry. The real causes would be found elsewhere.

Impartial Inquiry Urged.

An independent and impartial inquiry was most likely to diagnose the causes correctly and the operatives cannot agree to the employers' proposal to appoint a Committee of twelve representatives of each side to consider the factors of the cost of production of yarn cloth, and to report within a month how production costs can be reduced so as to secure greater volume of trade.

The employers, in reply, pointed out that they have withdrawn definitely the specific recommendations for the reduction of wages and an increase of hours, but they have not withdrawn the question of investigating the effect of the present wages and hours upon their competitive power.

The employers would collaborate with the operatives in ascertaining any facts mutually agreed to be germane to the question.

The Conference adjourned to enable the operative representatives to consider the employers' last proposal.—Reuter.

WASHINGTON HOURS CONVENTION.**WHY BRITAIN WILL NOT RATIFY.**

London, Feb. 27. A debate was initiated in the House of Commons by Mr. Shaw, Minister of Labour in the late Labour Government, on the Washington Hours Convention.

Mr. Shaw charged the Government with failing to ratify the Convention.

Mr. Betterton, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, replying, pointed out that the British delegates to Washington were not plenipotentiaries and that what they signed was not a Treaty but a Draft Convention. He mentioned many Draft Conventions which had never been ratified by various countries.

Before this country could ratify the Convention, said Mr. Betterton, it had to bring the law of the country into conformity with the Convention. He declared:—"We are not prepared to ratify, because, in our view, there are at this moment agreements in existence affecting many hundreds of thousands of workers, which agreements we believe are valuable instruments for the maintenance of industrial peace. We believe these agreements would be imperilled, and this result would be a calamity, and it is a risk we are not prepared to take."—British Wireless.

JAPANESE POLITICAL RIOT.**SERIOUS CLASH WITH POLICE.**

Tokyo, Feb. 28. Several police, including two officers, were injured last night when a crowd, estimated at over a thousand, clashed with a strong detachment sent to watch over a Proletarian Party meeting.

The main trouble arose when the police, after suppressing several parties, closed the doors and refused admittance to hundreds who were wishing to enter.

Bricks and stones were freely used as missiles.

Reinforcements for the police were hastily rushed up before the infuriated mob was dispersed.

A number of persons are reported to have been seriously injured during the melee and about a hundred were arrested.—Reuter.

GERMAN POLITICS.**NON-COMFIDENCE VOTE REJECTED.**

Berlin, Feb. 27. The Reichstag, to-day rejected a motion of non-confidence in the Government proposed by the Communist Party.—Reuter.

FOREIGN OFFICE SCANDAL.

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only, and had nothing at all in common with a gamble in differences.—Reuter.

Press Comment.

London, Feb. 28. The newspapers commend the promptitude of the Government's action with regard to the France case, as well as the courage and candour of the framers of the report.

They agree that the punishment of the officials concerned is none too severe, though the *Daily Telegraph* appears to find some extenuation in what it describes as the inadequacy of the salaries of higher officials in the Foreign Office.

While all commentators regret the revelations, the view is expressed that the report has simply vindicated the honourable traditions of the Civil Service.—Reuter.

The Board of Inquiry.

The following were the members of the Special Board of Inquiry: Sir Warren Fisher, G.C.B., G.C.V.O., Permanent Secretary to the Treasury; Sir Malcolm Ramsay, K.C.B., Comptroller and Auditor-General; and Mr. M. L. Gwyer, C.B., H.M. Prosecutor-General and Solicitor to the Treasury. Sir Warren Fisher is the head of the Civil Service; Mr. Gwyer fulfilled every legal qualification that could be desired; while Sir Malcolm Ramsay is by virtue of his office independent of and apart from the Civil Service or of the Crown.

SIR PAUL CHATER'S CODICIL.

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In matters which concerned the company and that upon his retirement, or in the event of his death, by his will, he could appoint a person or persons suitable for filling the appointment.

After quoting from the Memorandum, Mr. Potter submitted that during Sir Paul's lifetime he could have made alternative appointments of any number, and in the same way he was clearly entitled to do so by will. The intention of the Memorandum was to give him the same power under his will as he had during his lifetime.

Desired Status.

At the time Mr. Bagram's nomination and appointment became effective, Mr. Potter argued, he was a qualified person, and Mr. Potter submitted that there was nothing in the memorandum to prevent his acting as permanent managing director.

Reading from the Judgment Mr. Potter quoted "In my opinion the formation on August 19, 1926, of the Hongkong Finance and Investment Co., Ltd. did not in fact clothe Mr. Bagram with the desired status." At its best this was merely a titular qualification. But even as a title it is in my opinion insufficient. The defect appears when it is sought to apply to this limited company the words "so long as such corporation carries on business in the Colony." This corporation has at no time fulfilled this provision as will be clear from the statement of facts, included in the earlier portion of the judgment."

Main Object to Qualify.

Replying to the quoted part of the judgment, Mr. Potter submitted that the company had in fact carried on business. He said it was irrelevant to look into the books of a company to discover whether it was actually carrying on business. It was utterly irrelevant to say that once there was a life company on the register it was not carrying on business.

Mr. Bagram had freely admitted that the main object of the company was to qualify. If a person was entitled to do a certain thing he was entitled to do it.

Sir Henry Gollan: He was entitled to form the company but the question arises whether the company actually carried on business or whether it was merely an attempt to get over a difficulty.

Mr. Potter: If the company is alive, is registered and has an office, it is carrying on business.

He submitted there was no happy medium. His view as to what carrying on business meant, had either to be accepted, or else each case had to be investigated.

Court Not To Question Merits.

Sir Peter Grain: So long as the individual is technically qualified the Court has to be satisfied?

Mr. Potter: Quite. The testator having made an appointment it is not for you to question the merits of it.

The case is proceeding.

OUTBREAK OF WAR RECALLED.**DEATH OF FORMER GERMAN AMBASSADOR.****PRINCE LICHTNOWSKY.**

London, Feb. 27.

Memories of the outbreak of the war are recalled by the news from Breslau of the death of Prince Lichnowsky, who was German Ambassador in London at that time.

It is recalled how he was personally unfavourable to war with Great Britain and was in great grief when the peace efforts failed.

Barely six months ago, Prince Lichnowsky visited England and renewed some of his old friendships.

The late Prince Lichnowsky was 65 years old, and was the head of a Silesian family of ancient aristocratic lineage, with large estates at Kuchelna and Gratz. His mother was a Princess of Croy. The son of a Prussian General of Cavalry, he himself began life as a soldier, and was a brother-officer of the ex-Kaiser in the Life Guard Hussars. The Emperor, recognizing the exceeding good birth of the Lichnowskys, frequently addressed the Prince with the appellation of equality, "du." During "Chancellor crises" Prince Lichnowsky was frequently mentioned as a logical possibility for the Premiership. He was boon friend of Prince Bulow and, contrary to the example of others, remained loyal to the fallen Chancellor after the latter's fall from grace. Prince Lichnowsky, strangely enough, began his diplomatic career as an attaché in London forty years ago. When he was appointed Ambassador, he said he felt, in returning to England, like a man going back home. Although a Roman Catholic, Prince Lichnowsky never identified himself with the Clerical Centre Party or its ultra-montane politics. Nominally a Conservative, he revealed distinct traces of Liberalism during the bitter controversy over Prussian Franchise Reform in 1910. His wife, who was destined to make a deep impression on London society, was, like her husband, a clever writer.

POLICE RESERVE.**ORDERS BY THE C.S.P.**

Hongkong Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police, states:

Governor's Inspection.

His Excellency the Governor will inspect the Hongkong Police Reserve in conjunction with the Hongkong Police Force and the Hongkong Fire Brigade on Wednesday, March 28th, on the Murray Parade Ground. All Police Reservists are requested to keep this date open.

Practice Parade.

All members of the Chinese, Indian and Sharpshooters' Companies will attend a practice parade on the Central Police Station Compound on Wednesday, February 29th. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress: Uniform, Cap without cover, and belt.

Flying Squad.

The next weekly instructional Patrol will be held in Kowloon on Thursday, March 1st. Fall in at the Star Ferry Wharf (Hongkong side) at 5.10 p.m. sharp.

Those men who have not passed out in Part I of training course will attend at the Central Police Station Compound at 5.14 p.m. on Thursday, March 1st for squad drill under Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

Sharpshooters' Company.

The regular revolver practice will be carried out at Kennedy Road Range next Sunday morning, March 3rd at 10 a.m. Uniform optional. Members will bring their revolvers and belts with holsters. All men should practice rapid drawing of their weapons from the new holsters in the Rapid Drawing Test, will be carried out on Sunday, next.

Adjutant.

(Sgd.) L. H. C. CALTHROP, A.S.P.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:

1. The Army Council has abandoned the proposed military organization of this division.

2. Volume Three of the Second Series of "The Letters of Queen Victoria": 1879-1882.

3. Uncle Tom's Cabin.

4. The Roman Catholic and English Churches to endeavour to promote unity.

5. Between 300,000 and 400,000.

6. St. John the Divine.

7. The Devil.

8. (a) Crooks, especially safecrackers; (b) pickpockets.

9. Small prairie wolves.

10. North America.

11. Burns, Tennessee, Milton.

12. Tally.

13. The reference is to the shepherd controlling his sheep.

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